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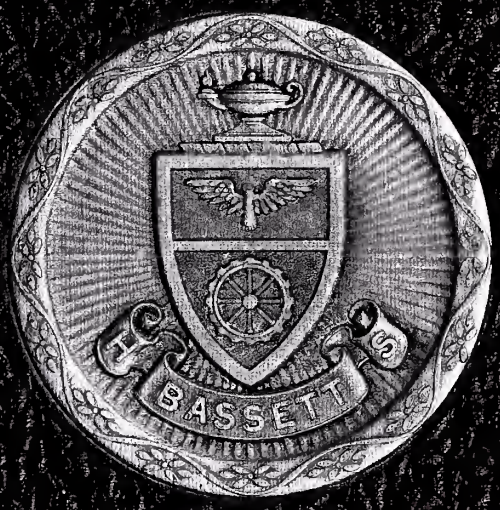

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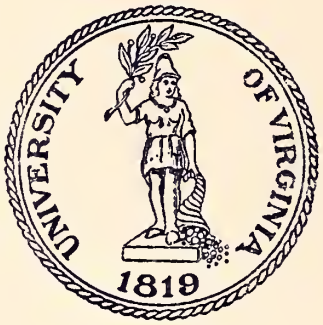

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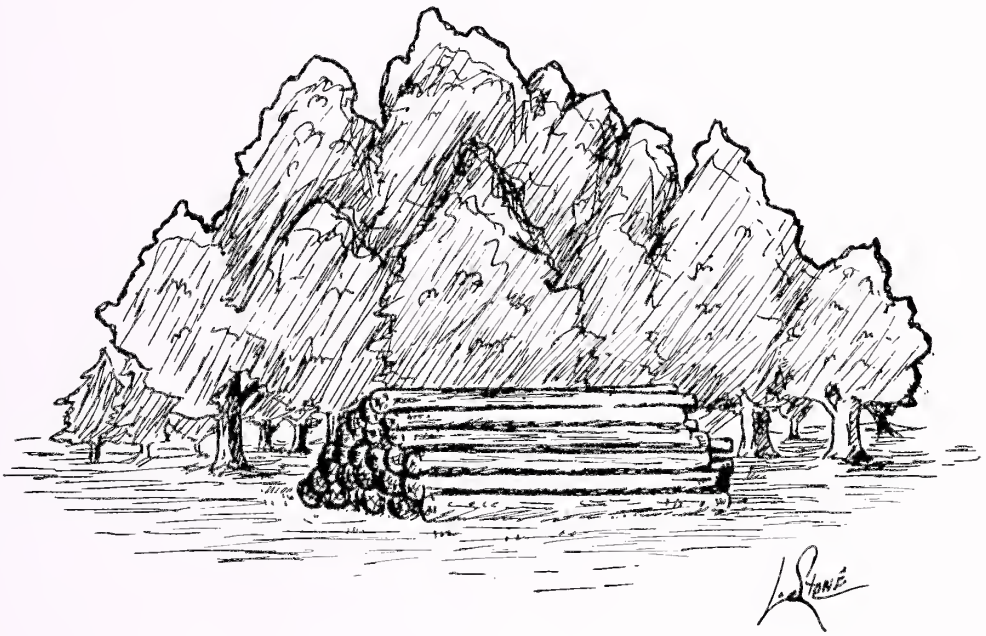
This seal of Bassett High School was adopted in 1936. The wreath around the rim is to commemorate the tints from the various timbers used in Bassett's furniture factories. The wheel at the center represents the wheels of industries which move Bassett forward. The eagle symbolizes loyalty and service to the native land. Above is the urn of knowledge which the school wishes to bestow on each student who enters her halls.

THE 1948 TIMBER TINTS



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FOREWORD

The purpose of the publication of TIMBER TINTS 1948 is to help preserve for future enjoyment the happenings and traditions of Bassett High School. The school is so closely linked with the traditions and progress of the little city of Bassett that even the name TIMBER TINTS grew out of her chief industry.

Many trees grew on the Bassett estates, through which, in 1888, the Norfolk and Western Railway was given a right of way and a generous parcel of land for the site of the Bassett station. Almost all the best and most popular woods used in furniture were found around Bassett. There were, for instance, about sixty species of maple, twenty species of poplar and about three hundred species of oak. When a chair factory was built at Bassett in 1901 by Mr. J. D. Bassett, Sr., it was supplied with timber from these beautiful trees by sawmills on the nearby estates.

At this time there was a one-room school, two stores and a single factory. Down through the ages this meager little factory has grown into many factories, so that in less than a half-century Henry County has within its borders one of the greatest furniture manufacturing organizations in the world.

The tints from the timber used in the manufacturing of furniture are reflected in this little book, through the pupils. Here one sees more varying shades of personality than Bassett furniture shows in the varying tints of timber.

The Bassett schools have hardly kept pace with the growth of the industries. It was not until 1915 that the present high school building was erected. In 1927, the increase in enrollment brought about the building of the Central Grammar School and Auditorium in the rear of the high school. In 1937, Campbell Court Graded School was built. The present enrollment in Bassett High School is over 300. The students are drawn from the 8,000 population of Bassett and the districts of Reed Creek and Horsepasture.

With the growth and expansion of the schools for the past eighteen years under the able management of Mr. E. Carl Hoover, the enrollment now exceeds the capacity of the building; therefore, a modern, up-to-date high school is in the process of erection. The 1948 Class preserves in TIMBER TINTS the memories of the dear, old high school which will pass away with their graduation. Its walls, with falling plaster, are dear to each graduate, but with schools it is as with life:

"New times demand new measures and new men;
The world advances and in time outgrows
The laws that in our fathers' days were best."

BILLY BRAMMER
Editor

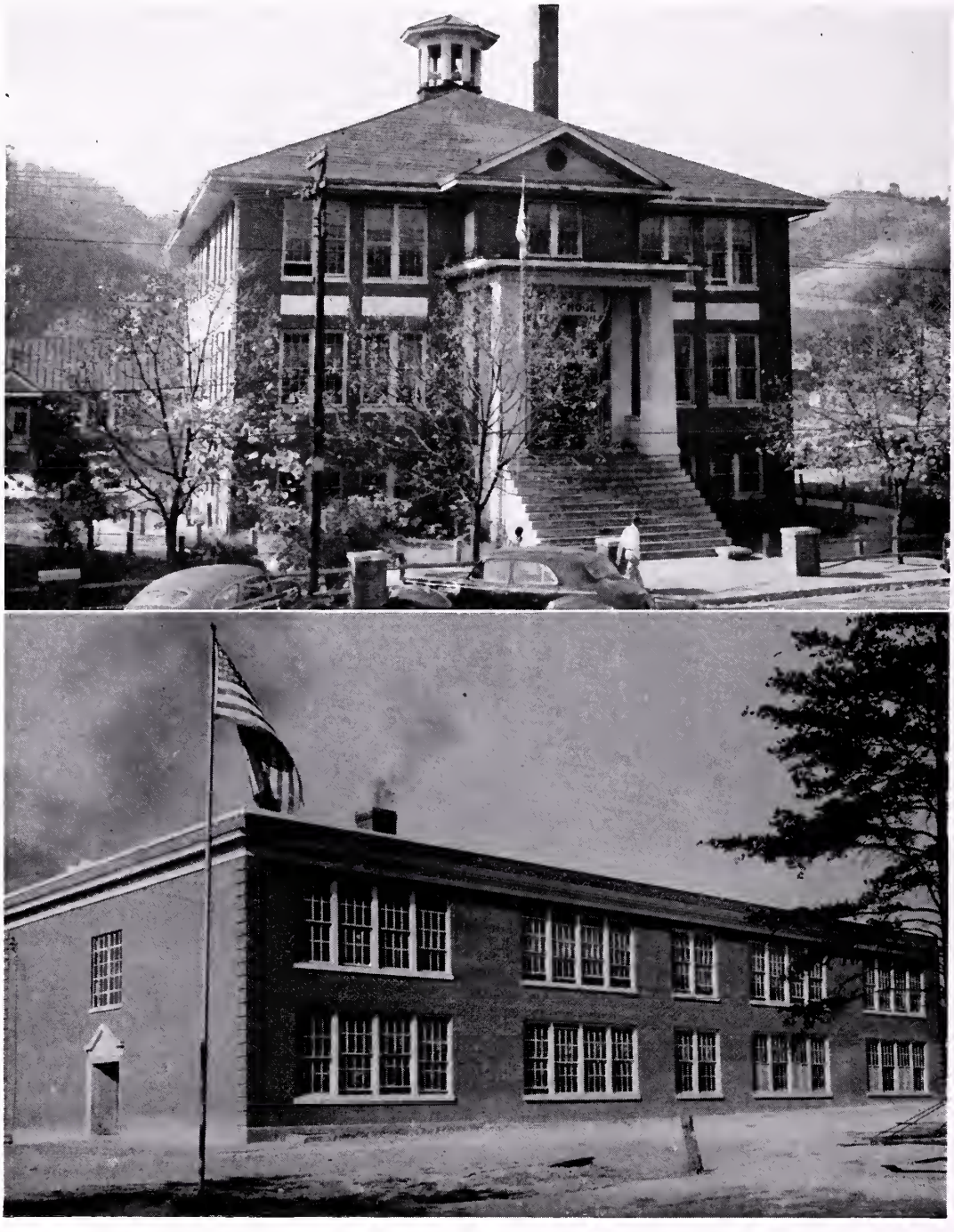
DEDICATED TO THE TOWN OF BASSETT

And the Ideals for Which it Stands

The aims of the Senior Class of 1948 are to promote the ideals of Bassett and its institutions. Bassett schools stand for better education and advancement of all lines of truth. Bassett's industries stand for work, honesty and progress. Bassett's churches stand for the teaching of the Bible and Christian ideals. Bassett's homes stand for building happiness and wholesome living. With the purpose of promoting these principles the Senior Class dedicates this little book to Bassett.

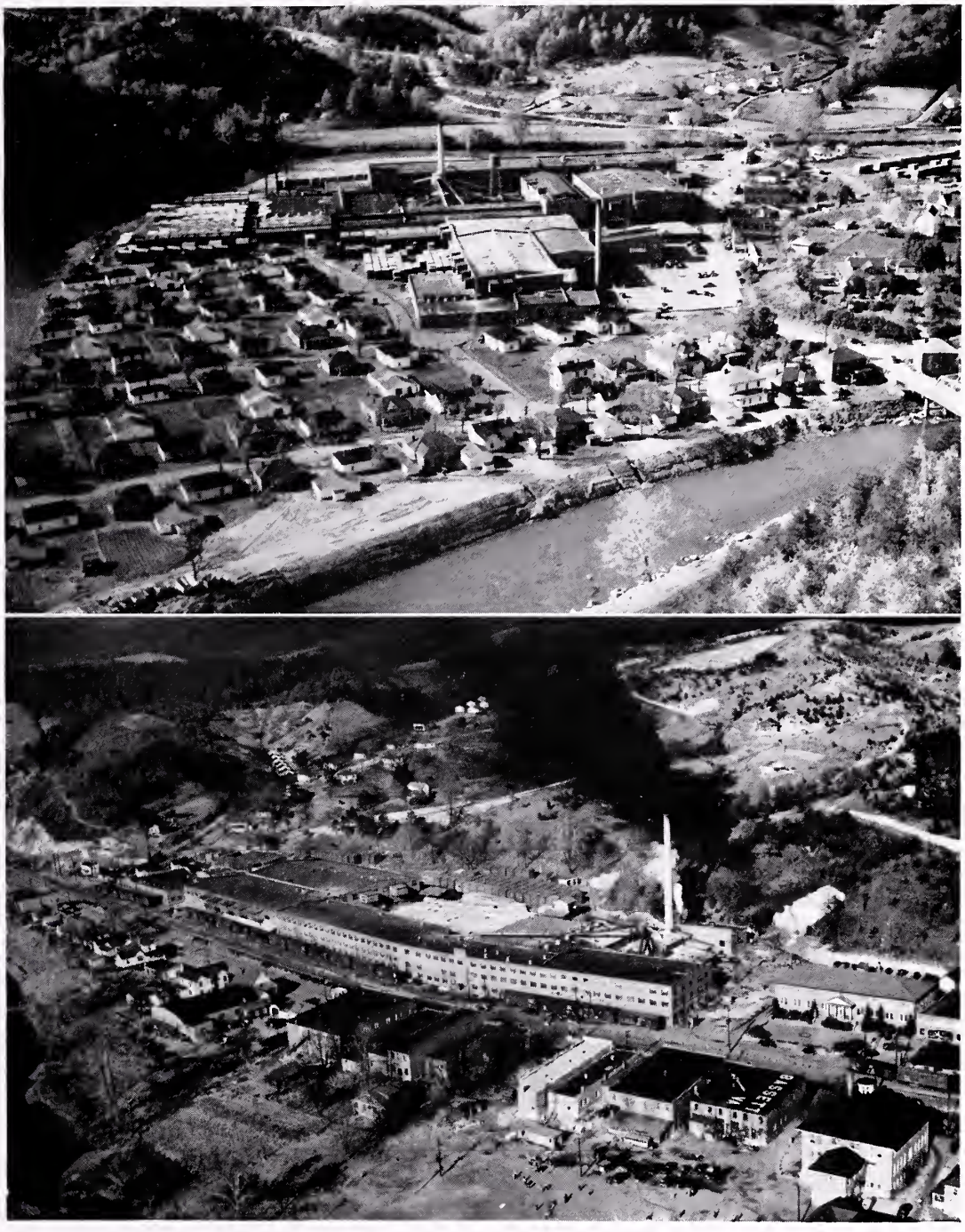
Mr. J. D. Bassett, Sr.
Founder of Bassett and its Chief Industry

PRESENT SCHOOL BUILDINGS



ABOVE: *The present high school building, erected in 1915. Auditorium shown in the left rear*
BELOW: *Campbell Court Graded School, erected in 1937*

BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES

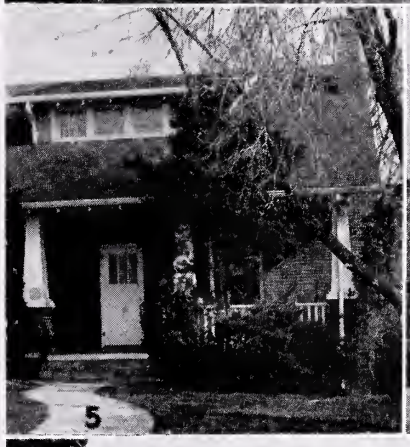


ABOVE: *View of North Bassett Factory*
BELOW: *View of Central Bassett Factory*

SOME OF BASSETT'S CHURCHES

1—*Mount Herman Church of the Brethern*
2—*Collinsville Midway Baptist*
3—*First Baptist Church*
4—*Riverview Primitive Baptist*
5—*Bassett Memorial Methodist*
6—*Bassett Church of the Brethern*
7—*Pocahontas Bassett Baptist*
8—*Tabernacle Baptist*
9—*Stanleytown Methodist*

SOME OF BASSETT'S HOMES



VIEW OF HOMES OF THE FOLLOWING:

1—*Edd Jones*
2—*Joe Philpott*
3—*Lucy Lee Brammer*
4—*Hon. T. B. Stanley*
5—*Mary C. Craig*
6—*Pat Philpott*
7—*J. T. Pegram*
8—*Nancy Spencer*
9—*Billy Brammer*

THOSE BEHIND THE SCHOOL

Mr. J. Foster Hollifield
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Henry County Schools

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Director of Instruction
Henry County

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Elementary Supervisor
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School Board Representative
Reed Creek District

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Assistant Principal and Coach

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Secretary

Mr. S. Roy Bryant
Visiting Teacher
Henry County

Mrs. H. L. Robertson
President of Parent-Teacher Association

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Assistant Principal
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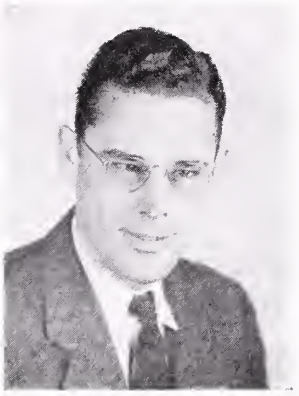

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1948 TIMBER TINTS STAFF

Top Row: *Mason, Franklin, Gibbs, Collier, Wray, Seay, Bennett, Hundley, Duggins, Messer, Hall, Byrd, S. Webb, Scott, Norton, Setzer, E. Martin*

Second Row: *Bowman, Curry, Whitt, Peters, Robinson, D. Martin, Dodson, Whitlock, Cahill, Amos, G. Stone, Adams, Smith, E. Thomasson, Buckner, Norvell, Wall*

Third Row: *J. Thomasson, Snead, J. Philpott, V. Stone, L. Stone, Hancock, D. Stone, B. Brammer, L. Brammer, Merriman, Wright, P. Webb, Craig*

Bottom Row: *C. Stone, Jessee, Jones, Hylton, Eggleston, Pegram, Marsh, Draper, Lawson, Daniel*

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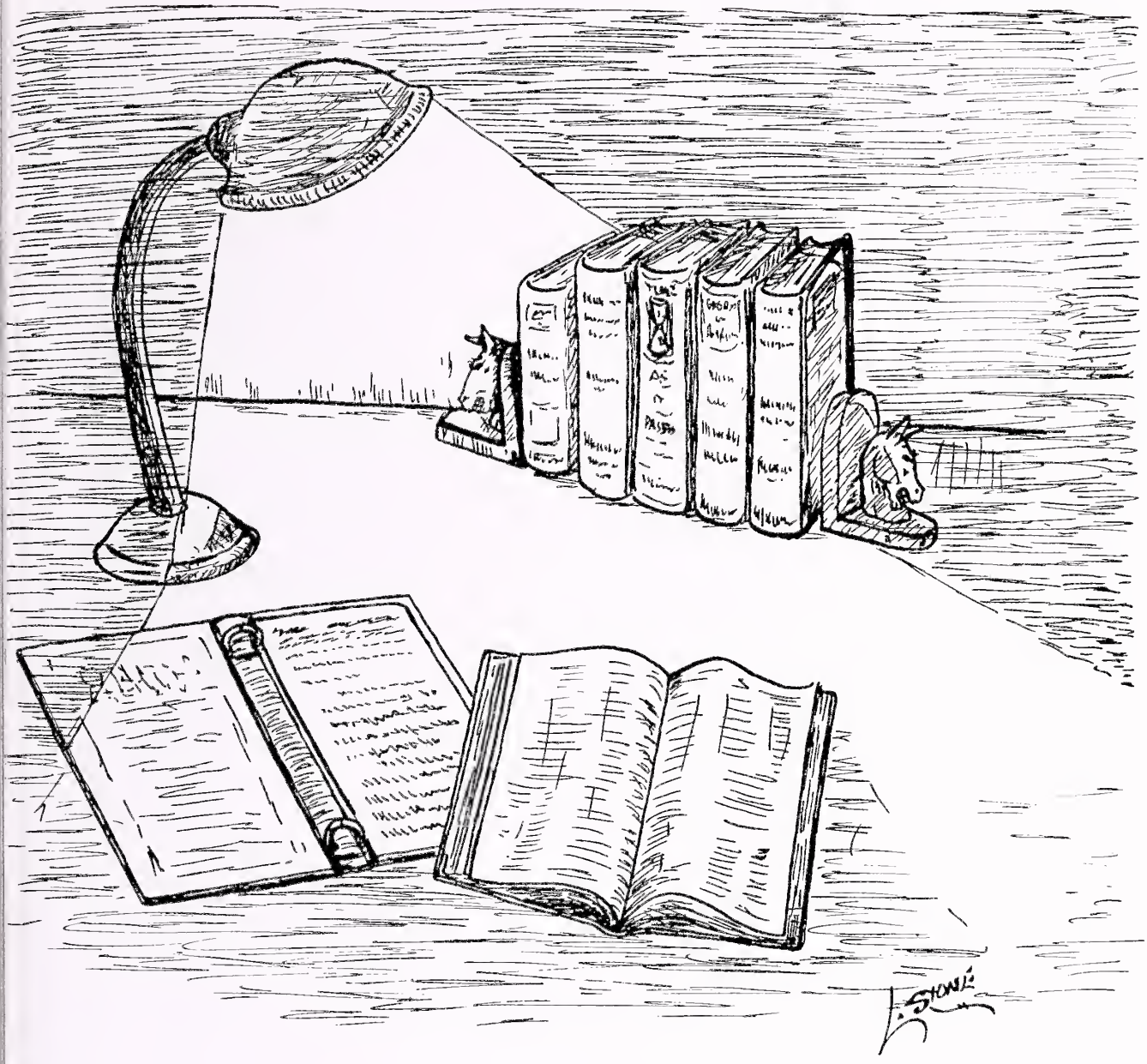

CLASSES

(Senior Class Meeting, Officers Facing)—Whitt, Collier, Snead, Jones, Stone, Marsh, Norvell

SENIOR CLASS

OFFICERS

Edd Jones ..... *President*
Virginia Stone ..... *Vice President*
Marie Collier ..... *Secretary*
Rachel Snead ..... *Treasurer*
F. E. Marsh ..... *Sergeant at Arms*
Miss Clara Norvell, Miss Ruth Whitt ..... *Sponsors*

Flower: *Red and White Roses* Colors: *Red and Silver*

Trees: *Red and Silver Maples*

Daily Watchword:

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show any fellow creature, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

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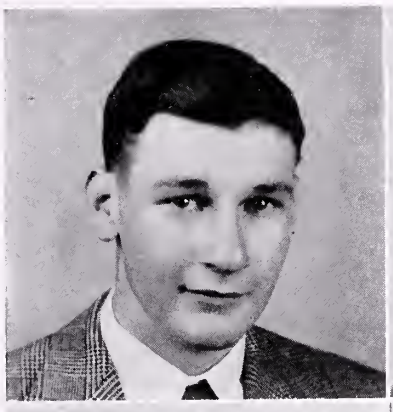


ROY LYNWOOD ADAMS

A winsome smile and
The mischief of a boy;
Together with good nature
Make up our Roy.

OTIS DAVID AMOS

I wish I may,
I wish I might
Make school day
into joyous night.

RUTH VIRGINIA BENNETT

With a genial manner
and a winsome way,
She lightens our
burdens every day.

WAYNE ST. CLAIR BOWMAN

Talent and ability,
needed to excel
Are Wayne's if he
applies them well.

BILLY MILTON BRAMMER

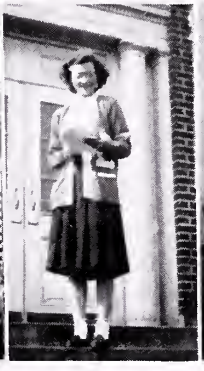
That Billy has the
ability to lead well;
A look at his record
as leader will tell.

LUCY LEE BRAMMER

Peppy, frolicsome,
and sweet,
She's got a smile
that's hard to beat.

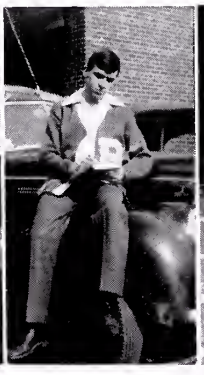
"Kilroy"

"Oddis"



"Ruthie"

"Vanus"



"Puny"

"Cutie"

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OLGA ENID BUCKNER

Twinkling eyes and
shiny black hair—
A look from Olga brings
him there!

MILDRED EARLE BYRD

Mixing quiet fun with
loyalty true,
She's a grand sport
and student, too.

JESSE DANIEL CAHILL

Never too sad, never
too gay,
Cahill measures up
just that way.

MARIE EMMELINE COLLIER

Neat, well-groomed,
dainty and slight;
Marie's our streamlined
girl in height.

MARY CAMPBELL CRAIG

She's dignified, studious,
fun loving, too;
To her Alma Mater
she'll always be true.

HAZEL MARIE CURRY

She's quiet and courteous;
she often smiles;
To see her someone would
walk for miles.

"Enid" *"Earle"* *"Casey"* *"Ree"* *"Camel"* *"Poochie"*

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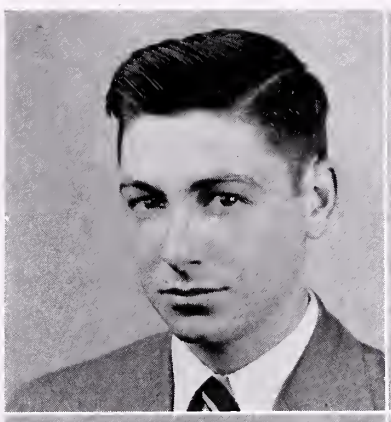
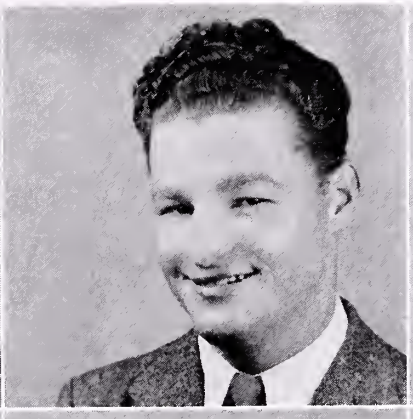
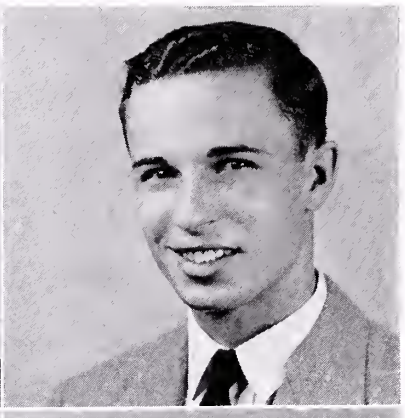
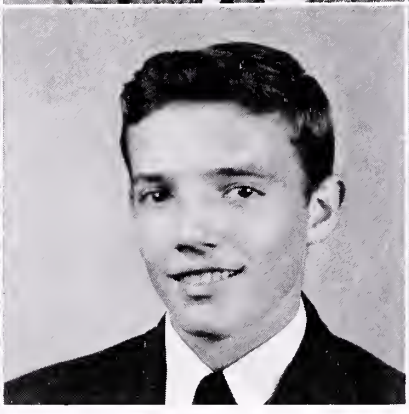








DAVID LYNWOOD DANIEL

He's not a genius; he's
not even great,
But he will make his
mark; just wait!

AUBREY NORMAN DODSON

Flirting and flattery
are right in his line;
He knows no better way
of spending his time.

HUGH DYER DRAPER

Why should one be in
school on time?
Young folk should sleep
till quarter past nine.

VIRGINIA LEE DUGGINS

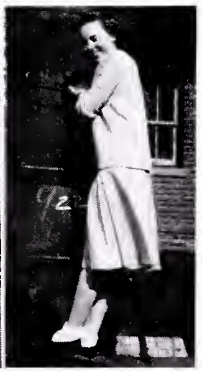
Her conversation is
witty and bright
If you knew her—you'd
agree, all right.

TERRY RIVES EGGLESTON

Life is a carefree
game to play;
He makes his fun
while going his way.

ELIZABETH ARABELLE FRANKLIN

She's as sweet and dainty
as a dove;
Her sparkling eyes will
win your love.



"Charlie" *"Red"* *"Crip"* *"Jinks"* *"Crevis"* *"Libby"*

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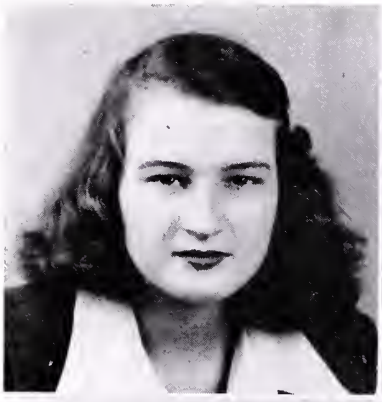


DOROTHY MAE GIBBS

A very happy girl, we call her
"Dot";
She's rather sensible, we
like her a lot.

ENA FERN HALL

"Silence is golden," one
hears people say;
Then Ena applies this rule
every day.

GLORIA GARNETT HANCOCK

Kind words and sweet thoughts,
a natural asset,
Combined with efficiency,
make up Garnett.

EUNICE GERALDINE HUNDLEY

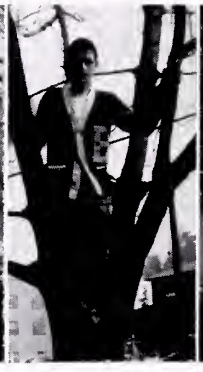
Unassuming and happy-
go-lucky,
Gerry is determined and
rather plucky.

IRVING LUTHER HYLTON, JR.

In class work and athletics
he's not a star,
But as an all-round man
he's sure to go far.

ALTON EUGENE JESSEE

Veteran Gene holds a place
unique in this class,
He's the only one who's
married a lass.



"Dot" *"Fern"* *"Garn"* *"Gerry"* *"Junior"* *"Gene"*

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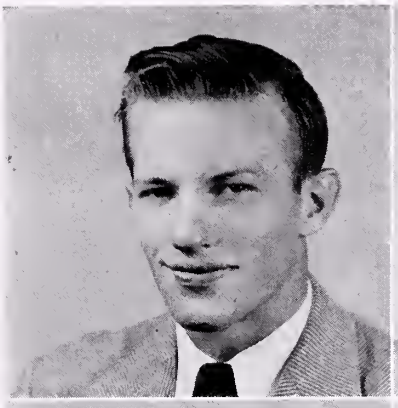
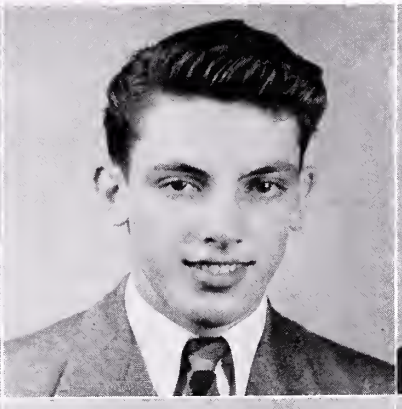
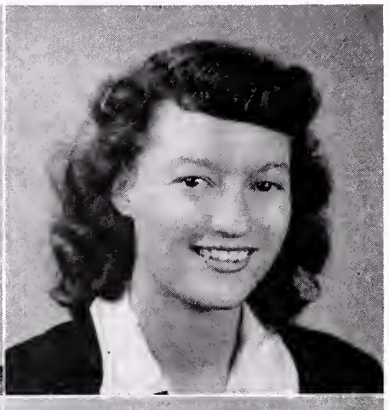
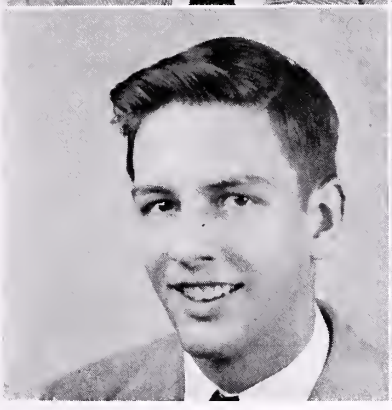
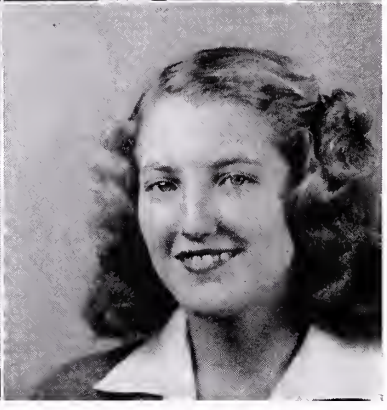










EDWARD PHILPOTT JONES

Our president's a boy
everyone knows.
He will be popular
wherever he goes.

CLYDE ACHERS LAWSON

He's a little shy, but not
with the girls;
He often wins them with
the balls he whirls.

CHARLOTTE PENDLETON LOVE

Love and a wedding ring—
a line that works;
We hope that for Charlotte
no sorrow lurks.

FLOYD EARL MARSH, JR.

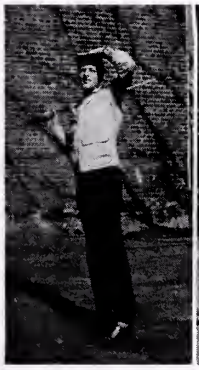
F. E. is an intelligent chap
indeed;
Everyone knows that he is
slated to succeed.

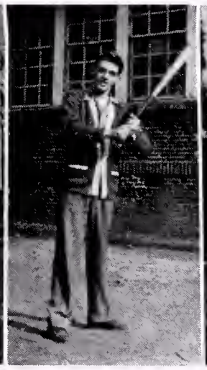
DEWEY LEVY MARTIN

Dewey is a steady,
dependable lad.
He's neither fussy nor
very bad.

SARAH ELIZABETH MASON

Elizabeth, our blond,
who is witty and gay,
Is very slow-tempered,
we all can say.





"Edd" *"Snoop"* *"Lotte"* *"Feet"* *"Levy"* *"Tootsie"*

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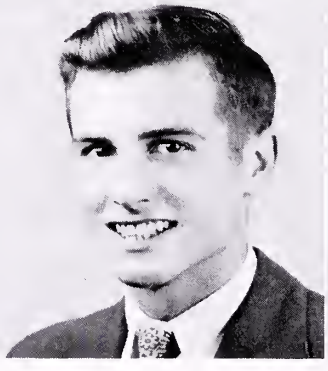


MARY ELIZABETH MERRIMAN

A cheerful heart,
a cheerful smile,
A charm of friendship all
the while.

EMILY RUTH MESSER

Emily is a girl we're
proud to know;
She's sweet and jolly
with an outward glow.

JOHN THOMAS PEGRAM

He is little, but he is
wise;
He is a corker for his
size.

EMMA ISOLA PETERS

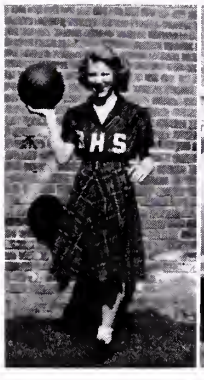
She knows how to work
and to play;
How to be serious, pleasant
and gay.

JOE CURTIS PHILPOTT

On football grid and
on basketball court,
In fact, any place he
is a splendid sport.

MARY PATRICIA PHILPOTT

She is a popular girl,
full of fun.
Her jovial manner
many friends has won.



"Lib" *"Mess"* *"Smokey"* *"Sola"* *"Joe"* *"Pat"*

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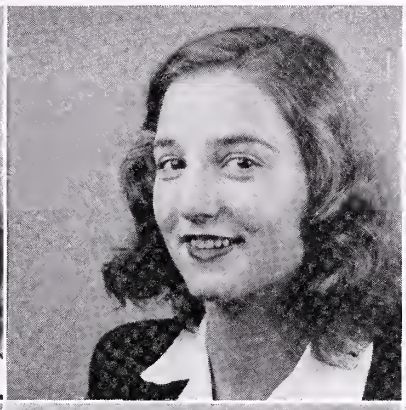
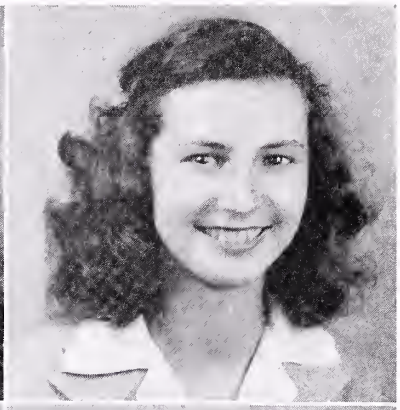




ESTHER LORENE ROBERSON

With cheerful laugh
and sparkling eye,
Lorene speaks to all
as she passes by.

MILDRED JEANNE SCOTT

Whate'er she undertakes
she does with speed;
You should look at
The ads she brought to our need.

THELMA GERALDINE SEAY

Thelma is a fine girl,
very sweet, too,
Attractive and neat,
steady and true.

RUBY FRANCES SMITH

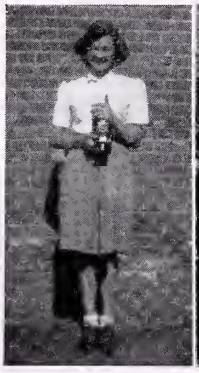
One who is loyal, sincere
and true;
A friend to all and never
blue.

RACHEL VICTORIA SNEAD

Energy enough for a
dozen or more;
This charming sweet
lass is one we adore.

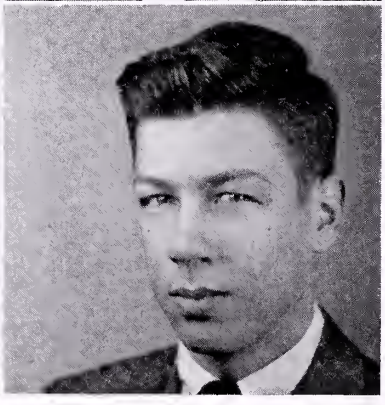
DOROTHY VIRGINIA STONE

Never too busy to lend
a hand.
Always modest, a
friend that's grand.



"Peewee" *"Scott"* *"Thel"* *"Baby"* *"Vicky"* *"Dot"*

SENIORS



JAMES CONLEY STONE

He's a real Romeo who
has a Juliet;
A mathematical brain
will win her yet.

GORDON ELLIOTT STONE

He's laughing, witty,
athletic, too.
Without Gordon
what would we do?

VIRGINIA ELIZABETH STONE

She's petite, blonde,
gentle and sweet—
A nice combination,
and hard to beat.

WILBERT LELAND STONE

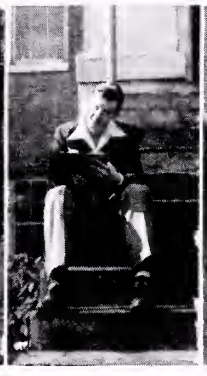
This is a fellow who'll
some day go far;
His ability to draw
is 'way above par.

ELSIE BRYANT THOMASSON

She has winning ways and
an active brain;
That Elsie will win her way
is very plain.

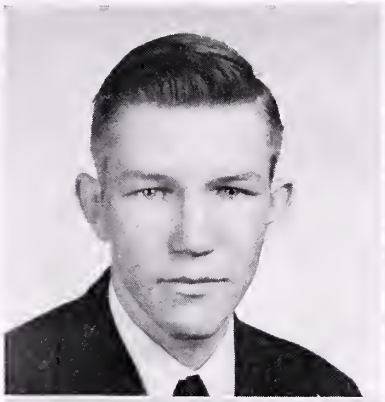
JAMES MARSHALL THOMASSON

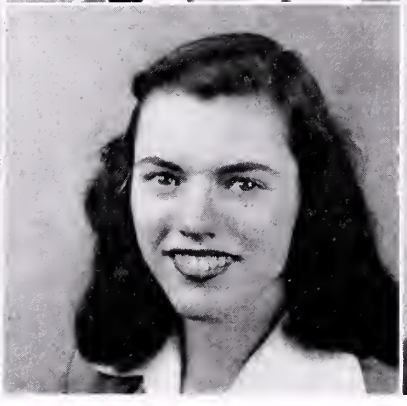
A better student
is hard to find;
Rivers of knowledge
pass through his mind.



"Snake" *"Gord"* *"Shorty"* *"Link"* *"Thommy"* *"Jimmy"*

SENIORS





CURTIS ROMA WALL

He's patient, energetic
and ready to serve,
Has determination
and a touch of reserve.

CARLENE SUE WEBB

A pleasant smile and
a heart of gold,
The highest ideals
she doth uphold.

PHYLLIS JEAN WEBB

Her voice is low;
her intentions sweet;
She's gentle, dainty,
and petite.

LEMUEL EDGAR WHITLOCK

Cheerful, jolly, reserved
and kind,
A boy like Edgar is hard
to find.

NELL EVELYN WRAY

Her manners are fine,
and her outlook is gay;
It would certainly be nice
to find more that way.

CHRISTINE DOVIE WRIGHT

Why should she be
serious and coy,
When laughter fills
her life with joy?

"Doc" *"Susie"* *"Phil"* *"Sleepy"* *"Eve"* *"Chris"*

LOOKING BACKWARD

The lawyer is puzzled about a case brought to him. He begins looking through his library in search of reference books. As he draws out several law books, his attention is attracted to four bright books in the corner—they are his high school year books of long ago—TIMBER TINTS, '*45*, '*46*, '*47* and '*48*. The law case is forgotten. He takes the four books and seats himself comfortably in his armchair. He turns the books over fondly and, finally, opens TIMBER TINTS, '*45*.

He looks across the years and sees many things of his half-forgotten youth. The memories dance across his brain and play their parts again. He lights his pipe and gives himself up to the enjoyment of the scenes.

He sees a group of about seventy-five freshmen walking up the long steps and through the friendly doors of dear old Bassett High. There are Mrs. Divers, Misses Lipscomb and Pace greeting them. Yes, the freshmen are being divided into sections and several are scrambling to get into the group with their chums. Soon each is adjusted and happy with his classmates. At times the sections are meeting together with Marie Collier as class president. They are at one time voting on class colors, flowers and motto; at another they are planning a party. Once they are all together at a picnic at the ball park. The lawyer sees himself running in the games and enjoying the good food. In the spring, he is out for May Day; he is winding the May Pole and watching the crowning of the queen.

The lawyer is happy in being a school boy again, moving to classes, listening to Mr. Hoover over the sound system, hobnobbing through the halls and stopping at the drug-stores for a coke and a chat with his schoolmates.

He joyfully turns to TIMBER TINTS, '*46*, and glances through the pictures of his classmates. Seven fellow students and Mrs. Divers are missing; there are only sixty-nine of the sophomores with the sponsors, Misses Lipscomb and Pace. He is soon at the class meeting where Garnett Hancock presides while "Smokey" Pegram takes notes. The class is entering into more activities—some are selling magazines in the magazine campaign—many are busy in athletic games. Seven of the sophomore boys, including himself, are on the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team and two of the girls are on the Girls' Varsity. The lawyer is taking part in a basketball game again in the gymnasium; he feels the thrills as he puts the ball in the basket and hears the cheers! In the spring, he is on the baseball diamond enjoying, with several of his classmates, many exciting games.

As he turns to TIMBER TINTS, '*47*, he notes only sixty-one returning as juniors in the fall of '46; among them Edd Jones, back from the service in the U. S. Navy. As they move to their classes, they are greeted by several new faculty members: Misses Thelmagene Kessinger and Mary Elizabeth Bassett and Coach Lemons. At the first class meeting the class elects "Smokey" Pegram, president; Sue Webb, vice president; Pat Philpott, treasurer, and Hugh Draper, secretary.

Football for the first time is the active game of the fall season. Coach Lemons is leading thirteen of the junior class in the squad to the football field. How hard they do play! What a fight they give their opponents at home and abroad, though they win only two victories against five defeats!

As the lawyer, so engrossed, turns the pages of TIMBER TINTS, '*46*, he sees the girls in blue and white throwing basketball goals in the gymnasium; six of them are his classmates. A little later he is among the seven from his class on the Boys' Varsity, who are putting up a brave fight for the game. He hears the shouts of the cheerleaders, and the voices of his classmates, Mary Campbell, Pat, Lucy Lee and Emily, rise above the others with "Rah! Rah! Rah! Bengals!"

The lawyer comes back to earth again as he sees twelve studious members of his class join the Beta Club. He sighs, then laughs, as he says, "I could have been a Beta member, too, if I had not been so mischievous. But the fun I had at Bassett High was great!"

Not only does he see his class busy in Beta Club work, but on the *Bell* staff, in the Student Council, the Dramatic Club, the Literary Society, the Pep Squad and other activities. Leland Stone wins the county prize for his drawing, "Lena the Hyena." He

LOOKING BACKWARD

pauses; he is listening to the Glee Club under Miss Whitt's direction giving the Christmas Cantata, "Gloria Excelsis." . . He sees Mary Campbell at the piano and recognizes the voices of his classmates, Phyllis, Rachel, Lucy Lee, Sue and Olga, as they join in the chorus.

Again it is spring, the juniors are planning the banquet for the seniors. The lawyer is living over the long hours in preparation for this important event. The juniors are at Riverside Hotel decorating the dining room. The event of May 9, 1947, is at hand! There are the gorgeous flowers, the gay-colored streamers of the May Pole, the delightful food, the music, laughter and song! Fred Shropshire and Betty Howell are being crowned king and queen. After the banquet, there is the dance and the merry-making!

It is June and the juniors' hearts are beating as they receive their report cards which pronounce them seniors. They part for the summer, but the school draws a number of them together when fifteen join the party with Mr. Hoover in August when they go to Williamsburg to see "The Common Glory."

The lawyer now opens TIMBER TINTS, '48, and notes the faces of those who have merited the name of seniors. What a glorious class! Fifty-four, the largest in the history of Bassett High at this time! Several faces are missing, but two old friends join them—Gene Jessee from service in the U. S. Army and Jesse Cahill, transferred from Rocky Mount. New sponsors, Misses Norvell and Whitt, greet the class. The class is soon busy planning the year book. Groups are out for advertisements in October. Gee! it is fun. Trips to Martinsville with Mr. Hoover and Miss Whitt; to Danville with Miss Norvell; to Roanoke with Coach Lemons and to the stores in Bassett in twos! The class hears Mr. Hoover praising them on the splendid success in financing their year book.

Soon come days for measuring for caps and gowns, ordering invitations and securing rings—all happy days.

Football engages the attention in the fall, but the rain pours during many games; several boys get skinned and Curtis Wall is taken to the hospital with a broken arm. The lawyer enjoys again the visit with a group to Wall, who welcomes them with their fruit and flowers.

Other activities move fast across the lawyer's mind: The visit to the Marshall-Field Mills; the senior home-room party at Christmas and the Senior Day at Fieldale when more than half the class sign for college work.

Exciting basketball games engage his attention; he recalls the hard fights of the Varsity Team, of which seven were seniors; he is with them when they play their last game. He rejoices that the Junior Varsity enters the tournament and brings home one cup for Bassett High.

In March, the annual is rushed to press on the very day that the county contests of the Virginia High School League occur at Fieldale and Martinsville. He is with six others of his class in the debate. He understands why he has become a lawyer as he sees himself arguing. Five of his classmates are trying for honors in spelling, and six are presenting the play, "Submerged." He is sorry he can't be with all of them.

Easter passes and he is at Riverside Hotel at the senior banquet given by the juniors. He enjoys the gaiety, feasting and color again. Later he is helping put over the senior play, "Busy as a Beaver," to an appreciative audience. Then comes several parties—one by the seniors for the bride-to-be, Miss Ruth Whitt; another by Sue Webb in her front yard where they roast weiners. What fun!

Lo! he hears music; the seniors are marching down a church aisle; Dr. Hank is giving them good advice in a baccalaureate sermon. He sees another large crowd of parents and friends; the seniors are in the high school auditorium; Mary Campbell Craig is giving the salutatory address; the lawyer is bowing as he receives the precious diploma from Mr. E. C. Hoover; he hears the low tones of Dorothy Stone as she delivers the valedictory. Then, there are tears in the midst of things. Is it a dream? He rouses himself and he is sitting in his office with TIMBER TINTS near him. He yawns and comes back to reality. It is too late for the law case. He takes his hat, and as he goes out, he says, "How I would love to see my classmates at old Bassett High again!"

TERRY EGGLESTON

SENIOR CLASS PLAY

BASSETT HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1948, AT 8:00 P. M.

"BUSY AS A BEAVER"
(Three-Act Comedy by Russell Drake)

CHARACTERS

Gaylord Clayton, in the real estate business ..... F. E. MARSH
Donna Clayton, his frivolous wife ..... GARNETT HANCOCK
Judy Clayton, their pretty young daughter ..... MARY CAMPBELL CRAIG
Prescott Clayton, their studious son ..... HUGH DRAPER
Tillie, the Clayton's maid ..... SUE WEBB
Polly Clayton (Aunt Polly), Gaylord's wealthy sister ..... MARIE COLLIER
Agatha Cornwall, who has her eyes cast in Prescott's direction ..... ELSIE THOMASSON
Phelps Webb, who is always as busy as a beaver ..... J. T. PEGRAM
Bedelia Shannon, from the agency ..... LUCY LEE BRAMMER
Miriam Day, who embarks on a new adventure ..... ELIZABETH FRANKLIN
Mrs. Josephine Ripley, who wants to buy a house ..... DOROTHY GIBBS
Lynn Fuller, Aunt Polly's efficient secretary ..... OLGA BUCKNER
Herbert Hawson, a wealthy business man ..... TERRY EGGLESTON

DIRECTORS

Play
MISS THELMAGENE KESSINGER

Stage
MISS MARGARET CRAIG

Announcer
PHYLLIS WEBB

COMMITTEES

Publicity
PHYLLIS WEBB, *Chairman*
ROY ADAMS — EDGAR WHITLOCK

Stage
EDD JONES, *Manager*
MILDRED BYRD — DEWEY MARTIN

Properties
THELMA SEAY, *Chairman*
VIRGINIA STONE — CURTIS WALL

Costumes
RACHEL SNEAD, *Chairman*
EMILY RUTH MESSER — RUTH BENNETT
LORENE ROBINSON — WAYNE BOWMAN
BILLY BRAMMER

Programs
LELAND STONE, *Chairman*
ISOLA PETERS — GORDON STONE

Door
HAZEL CURRY — ELIZABETH MASON

Ushers
ENA HALL, *Chairman*
GERALDINE HUNDLEY — VIRGINIA LEE DUGGINS
PATRICIA PHILPOTT

Prompters
ELIZABETH MERRIMAN — JOE PHILPOTT

"Busy as a Beaver" was a smash hit and no fooling! The audience howled with glee at this top-drawer comedy. Many congratulations were extended Class '48 and the directors, Misses Thelmagene Kessinger and Margaret Craig for putting over such an enjoyable play. With all due respect to previous senior plays, this performance of "Busy as a Beaver" was pronounced the best yet.

CLASS SONG

OH, BASSETT HIGH !

Tune—The Blue and the Gold
(Daleville College Song)

Commencement time is here again;
We'll leave you soon with bitter sighs;
We'll go along in the fields of life,
Carrying fond memories of you.

Now is the time we must say good-bye;
We'll hate to leave our teachers dear;
We'll miss our friends and classmates, too,
Thinking of Bassett High.

Chorus

Bassett High School with your blue and white,
We will always be so proud of you.
Now and evermore, we will love you so,
O Bassett High!

Wayne Bowman
Emily Ruth Messer

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

OF

BASSETT HIGH SCHOOL

BACCALAUREATE SERVICES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, June 6, 1948, 8:00 P. M.

PROCESSIONAL—"Lead On, O King Eternal" ..... Henry Smart
INVOCATION ..... Rev. W. J. Yeaman
HYMN—"Crown Him with Many Crowns" ..... Congregation
ANNOUNCEMENTS ..... Mr. E. C. Hoover, *Principal*
SCRIPTURE
"THE LORD'S PRAYER" ..... Mallotte
Glee Club
SERMON ..... Rev. P. M. Hank
BENEDICTION ..... Rev. Guy Wampler
RECESSIONAL—"Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar

GRADUATION EXERCISES

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

June 7, 1948, 8:00 P. M.

PROCESSIONAL—"Pæan to Spring" ..... Verdi
INVOCATION ..... Rev. J. R. Johnson
THE WORLD IS OURS IF WE HAVE EDUCATION ..... Mary Campbell Craig, *Salutatorian*
"TWILIGHT" ..... Anton Rubinstein
Glee Club
THE WORLD IS OURS IF WE HAVE FRIENDSHIP ..... Sue Webb
THE WORLD IS OURS IF WE HAVE VISION ..... Evalyn Wray
"THE NIGHT HAS A THOUSAND EYES" ..... Noble Cain
Glee Club
THE WORLD IS OURS IF WE HAVE FAITH .. Dorothy Stone, *Valedictorian*
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS ..... Edward Jones, *President of Class '48*
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS ..... Mr. E. B. Lemons, *Assistant Principal*
DELIVERY OF DIPLOMAS ..... Mr. E. Carl Hoover, *Principal*
"O BASSETT HIGH!" ..... { Wayne Bowman / Emily Ruth Messer }
Senior Class
BENEDICTION ..... Rev. Garnet Phibbs

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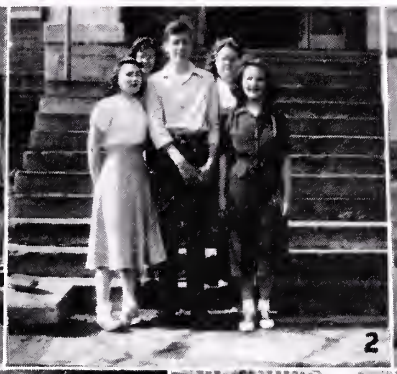
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TOP ROW: VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVES IN COUNTY CONTEST: 1—PLAY, "*Submerged*," *Hilton, J. Philpott, C. Stone, F. Marsh, Howard, Pegram, Jesse.* 2—SPELLING: *Buckner, Roberson, J. Thomasson, winner; R. Smith, S. Webb.* 3—DEBATERS—AFFIRMATIVE WINNERS: *Adams, Bowman, Craig;* NEGATIVE WINNERS: *P. Webb, B. Brammer, Eggleston*

SECOND ROW: 1—*Veterans Jesse and Jones.* 2—*Sponsors Norvell and Whitt.* 3—*Mr. and Mrs. Hoover and Frazier.* 4—*Valedictorian D. Stone and Salutatorian M. C. Craig*

THIRD ROW: 1—*L. L. Brammer and G. Stone (Rev. Johnson in background).* 2—*Rhodes and Thomasson.* 3—*The Gibbs sisters*

FOURTH ROW: 1—*Mason and Curry.* 2—*Snead, Hylton and Messer, gossiping.* 3—*Two of a kind—Marsh and Eggleston*

SENIORS HAVE FUN

LEFT TO RIGHT: 1—*Draper, the Philpotts and Hilton watching game.* 2—*Scott and Lemons, happy on return from a winning game.* 3—"*Dash.*" 4—MONOGRAM INITIATION: *B. Jones, Hall, Wall, Arendall, Dodson, Schwartz, L. Stone, John Philpott, Joyce, Lemons, Collier, Hylton, Love, Bennett, Setzer.* 5—PEP RALLY: *Collier, Mason, Bennett, Snead, Seay, Giles, Byrd, Smith, Wray, Duggins.* 6—DURING GAME: *Marsh, Wall, Brammer, Bowman.* 7—FARMER COMES TO TOWN: *L. Stone.* 8—THE ACROBAT, *Dewey.* 9—ESKIMOS: *Jones and Hylton.* 10—*Who gets the weiner, Peg or Pat?* 11—"*Ya-h, Yah!*" *Webb, Snead, Buckner.* 12—*Who's crazier, Joe or "Smokey"?*

Woody, Howard, Franklin, Philpott, Martin, Stone

JUNIOR CLASS

OFFICERS

EUGENE MARTIN ..... *President*
MARSHALL FRANKLIN ..... *Vice President*
BILL HOWARD ..... *Secretary*
JOHN PHILPOTT, JR. ..... *Treasurer*
MISS ETHEL J. STONE, MRS. C. L. WOODY, JR. ..... *Sponsors*

COLORS: *Blue and White* FLOWER: *Carnation*

TREE: *Mahogany*

MOTTO: *"They conquer who believe they can"*

Through the doors of Bassett High School, September 6, 1945, strolled a group of ninety-four trembling freshmen. They had as their home-room sponsors, Miss Ethel Stone, Mrs. Garnett Phibbs, and Mr. Lelon Traylor, who proved excellent guides to those so young and timid. The class soon became active in school work, clubs and athletics. Peggy Smith was president for the freshman year. The class felt honored when Barbara Shelton won the beauty contest in the spring. Nancy Page McCray was runner-up in this contest.

Eighty-four of this class returned September 6, 1946, as sophomores. Misses Miller and Kessinger were sponsors. The president for this year was Frances Fulcher. Again the class was honored when Phyllis Young was crowned "Miss Bassett, 1947." In the Queen's Court of six, there were three sophomores. In the athletic sports several boys and girls received letters.

In September, 1947, only sixty-seven returned as juniors. This year Nancy Page McCray won third prize in the Henry County Wild Life Essay Contest. Nancy Carol Helms represented Bassett High School in oratory and Naomi Thacker in poetry reading at the Virginia High School League Contest at Fieldale in March.

JUNIORS

Rosa Belle Adkins
"A pleasing countenance is no slight advantage"

Claudine Eloise Agee
"The race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong"

Cabell Yancey Arendall
"I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy"

Frances Dorothlene Bennett
"Fortune truly helps those who are of good judgment"

Eunice Mae Boothe
"I have a heart with room for every joy"

Virginia Colleen Bratton
"Music is the universal language of all mankind"

Martha Ann Clark
"My heart is ever at your service"

Clarence Wayne Dodson
"Silence is the mother of truth"

Norman Elmer Dodson
"Wit is the salt of conversation, not the food"

James Earl Draper
"One good turn deserves another"

JUNIORS

Nancy Lee Foley
"A tender heart; a will inflexible"

Frances Aileen Franklin
"The Lord gets His best soldiers out of the highland of affection"

Douglas Marshall Franklin
"Talent is that which is in man's power"

Teddy Ray Franklin
"Wit now and then, struck smartly, shows a spark"

Florence Lee Frye
"To receive honestly is the best thanks for a good thing"

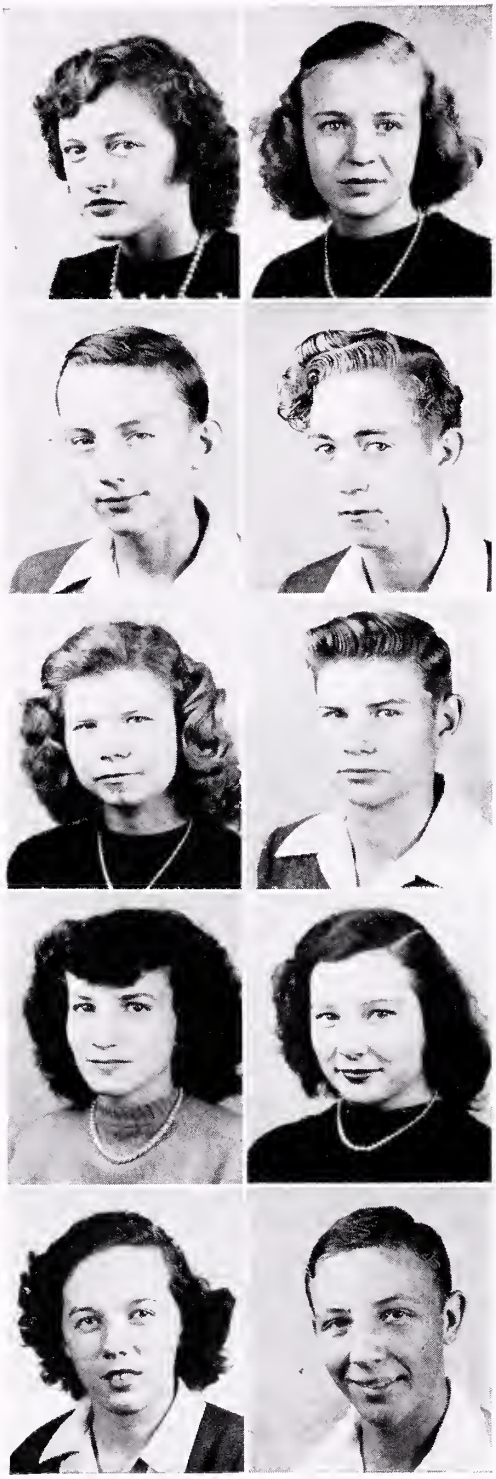
Willie Richard Frye
"Too low they build who build beneath the stars"

Frances Ethel Fulcher
"Life is not so short but that there is always time for courtesy"

Frances Gibbs
"Charity is a virtue of the heart and not of the hands"

Alice Mae Giles
"The sweetest noise on earth, a woman's tongue"

Morris Junior Hall
"I find we are growing serious, and then we are in great danger of being dull"



JUNIORS

Ethel Marie Haynes
"Too fair to worship, too divine to love"

Nancy Carroll Helms
"Falling in love with love, is like make believe"

Ruby Estelle Hollandsworth
"If you would be loved, love and be lovable"

William E. Howard, Jr.
"Man has his will—but woman has her way"

Virginia Aileen Ingram
"Speech is great; but silence is greater"

James Curtis Johnson
"A short saying often contains much wisdom"

Betty Jane Jones
"Reproof on her lips but a smile in her eye"

Benjamin Norman Joyce
"Learn to live and live to learn"

Elizabeth Ann Land
"An ounce of wit is worth a pound of sorrow"

Douglas Blanford Koger
" 'Tis woman, woman rules us still"

JUNIORS

Peggy Mae Marsh
"To be loved is all I need, and whom I love I love indeed"

Bonnie Louise Martin
"Forsake not an old friend, for a new is not comparable to her"

Robert J. Martin
"A merry heart makes a cheerful countenance"

Eugene Mayer Martin
"Why take life too seriously? You'll never get out of it alive"

Iris Phoebe Mason
"The very substance of the ambitious is merely the shadow of a dream"

Barbara Juanita McCraw
"That load becomes light that is cheerfully borne"

Nancy Page McCray
"She's fair, divinely fair, fit love for gods"

Joe Richard Meadors
"I am a part of all that I have met"

Malcolm Acquila Moore
"Patience is a necessary ingredient of genius"

Iris Opaline Moran
"Her smile is worth a million dollars but doesn't cost a cent"

JUNIORS

Joy Etta Nolen
"Friendship is love without his wings"

Charlie R. Peters, Jr.
"The reward of one duty is the power to fulfill another"

John Davis Philpott, Jr.
"The greatest men may ask a foolish question now and then"

Lucy Elizabeth Prillaman
"Her friendship is love"

Alton Wythe Prillaman
"The mildest manner, the gentlest heart"

William Renn
"Remember me when I am gone away"

Uldine Ethel Roberson
"Beauty strikes the sight; merit wins the soul"

Elizabeth Juanita Scott
"A cheerful look makes a dish a treat"

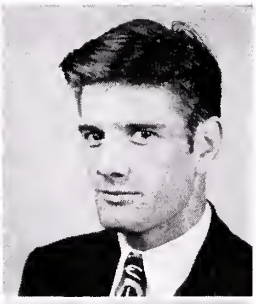
Thomas B. Setzer, Jr.
"The wisest man the world e'er saw;
He dearly loved the lassies all"

Frances Alene Shelton
"Most people would succeed with small things if they were not troubled with great ambitions"

JUNIORS

Barbara Jean Shelton
"Ambition is no cure for love"

Russell G. Shropshire
"Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none"

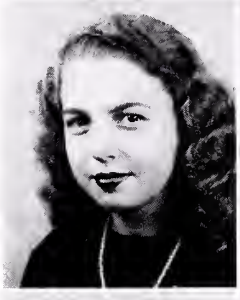


Della Catherine Sink
"To bear is to conquer our fate"

Lucille Delois Smith
"No man or woman was ever wise by chance"

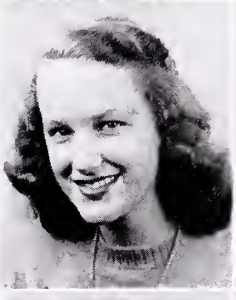
Peggy Ann Smith
"She moves as a goddess, looks as a queen"

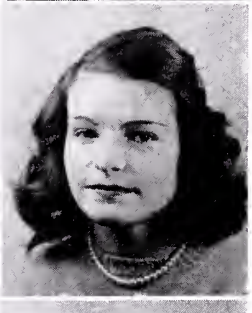
Frances Carolyn Spencer
"Beauty is truth; truth, beauty"



Nancy Madeline Spencer
"God giveth speech to all; song to few"

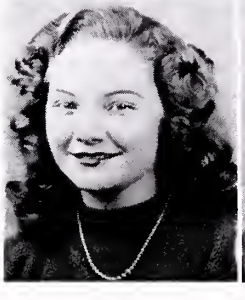
Lessie Odell Stanley
"What God has joined together let no man put asunder"

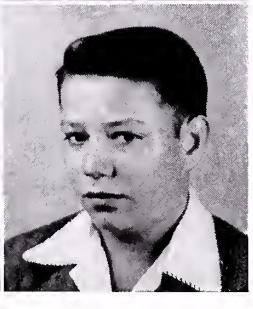




Mary Betty Stone
"A thing of beauty is a joy forever"

Henry Elliston Stone
"The only way to have a friend is to be one"





JUNIORS

Betty Jean Taylor
"Keep thy friendship under thy own life's key"

Naomi Corinne Thacker
"Grace was with her, Heaven in her eyes"

John Lewis Thomasson
"He conquers twice who conquers himself in victory"

Phyllis Aileen Turner
"Gentle in speech, beneficent in mind"

Teeny Turner
"We prize books, and they prize them most who are themselves wiser"

Leonard Thomas Wood
"Rise for the day is passing"

Pauline Nell Wright
"Thoughtless of beauty, she was beauty's self"

Phyllis Marie Young
"Worth, courage, honor, these indeed your substances and birthright are"

JUNIOR SNAPSHOTS

1—V. C. L. Latin Tournament: *McCray and D. Stone.* 2—V. H. S. L. Readers: *Collier, winner; Case and Thacker.* 3—Wild Life Essay: *McCray, local and county winner, McCraw, local winner.* 4—V. H. S. L.—Orator: *Helms, winner.* 5—*Hollandsworth, Howard and Hull.* 6—*Meador's jalopy.* 7—*A jolly bunch—Juanita Scott, Giles, F. Stone and B. F. Jones.* 8—Hen Party: *Franklin, Sink, Boothe, Thacker, Curry and E. Thomasson.* 9—Watching Them Off: *Prillaman, Sharpe, McDonald, Webb, B. Martin, Arendall and T. Martin.* 10—*Saucy Prillaman.* 11—*Watch your step, Land!* 12—*Star forward Juanita Scott.* 13—*Smiling Phoebe.* 14—Out for Practice: *Arendall and J. Thomasson.*

GOOD TIMES

1—*Gibbs in practice.* 2—*Love, Bennett, Collier watching "Nita" Scott initiate Hylton.* 3—*Moore takes it easy.* 4—*Giles crowns "Freddie."* 5—*Lemons (back) laughs at mamma's babies—Jones, Scott, Swartz and Collier—being initiated.* 6—*Snowballed Shelton.* 7—*Smith sisters.* 8—*Happy juniors—Hollandsworth, McCraw, Scott, McCray and Young.* 9—*School is out for Kessinger*

Mason, Miller, Webb, Norton, Phibbs, Howell

SOPHOMORE CLASS

OFFICERS

JOYCE NORTON ..... *President*
BOBBY WEBB ..... *Vice President*
RUTH HOWELL ..... *Secretary*
RALPH MASON ..... *Treasurer*
MISS MARGARET MILLER, MRS. MARY E. PHIBBS ..... *Sponsors*

COLORS: *Green and Gold* FLOWER: *Pink Carnation*

TREE: *Walnut*

MOTTO: *"To be seen rather than heard"*

In September, 1947, this class became sophomores with an enrollment of eighty members. There has been active work by many students. The greatest ambition of the individual student has been to make a commendable record so they can become members of the Beta Club in the junior year. Many students have entered the activities of the year. Three made the Junior Varsity Basketball Team and George Wade made the Varsity; four were cheerleaders and twelve won monograms in sports. Paul Wampler and Rhona Weinstein were the representatives of Latin I in the Virginia Classical Association Tournament at Danville in April, and Ellis Stone represented the school in the Virginia High School League Oratorical Contest at Fieldale in March.

SOPHOMORES

First Row: *Rebecca Adams, Geneva Arrington, Juanita Bennett, Margaret Byrd, Nancy Byrd*

Second Row: *Pearlie Cassady, Thelma Cassady, Nancy Dodson, Ray Edmunds, Louise Foster*

Third Row: *Edith Fulcher, Tommy Gibbs, June Grogan, Annabel Gusler, James Haley*

Fourth Row: *Allen Hall, Harold Haynes, Betty Helms, Jessie Hill, Eugene Hodges*

SOPHOMORES

First Row: *Ruth Howell, Darrow Jarrett, Annie Mae Johnson, Junior Jones, Nellie Joyce*

Second Row: *Francis Koger, Junior Lawson, Douglas Martin, Nancy Martin, Thomas Martin*

Third Row: *Ralph Mason, Ida Lee Meade, Mary June Moore, Polly Moore, Keever Mullins*

Fourth Row: *Douglas Myers, Billy McDonald, Ralph Nash, Myrtle Nolen, Joyce Norton*

SOPHOMORES

First Row: *Mary Pedigo, Curtis Pilson, Bobby Prillaman, Opal Roberson, Ronald Ross*

Second Row: *Harold Scarborough, Frances Schwartz, J. D. Sebastian, Betty Ann Shelton, Frances Shelton*

Third Row: *Romaine Simpson, Ethaline Sink, Betsy Smith, Rachel Spencer, Yancey Stafford*

Fourth Row: *Burin Stone, Doretha Stone, Ellis Stone, Mary Ruth Stone, Robert Stout*

SOPHOMORES

First Row: *J. E. Swain, Peggy Thomasson, Larry Thomasson, Mary Ann Thomason, Frank Turner*

Second Row: *June Turner, Bobby Vernon, George Wade, Stella Walthall, Paul Wampler*

Third Row: *Myrtle Watkins, Gene Webb, Bobby Webb, Rhona Weinstein, Edna Wood*

Fourth Row: *Margaret Woolwine*

SOPH SNAPSHOTS

TOP ROW: 1—*Gibbs, Wade, Norton and Franklin.* 2—*Catch him, sisters—Adams, Philpott, Gusler, Weinstein and Moore.* 3—*Resting after Physical Ed—Smith, Shelton, Kirby and Joyce*

SECOND ROW: 1—*A happy pair—Wade and Howell.* 2—*Studying on the swinging bridge.* 3—*Eligible bachelors—Swain, Mullins and Martin*

THIRD ROW: 1—*Wampler and Weinstein preparing to win Latin Tournament.* 2—*E. Stone thinking over his speech for V. H. S. L. Contest.* 3—*G. Webb does a stunt.* 4—*Sue and Bobby Webb take it easy*

FOURTH ROW: 1—*Hill enjoying winter.* 2—*Watching Bassett win.* 3—*Scouts off for a trip—G. Webb, B. Martin, T. Martin, Prillaman and Sharpe*

THE CAMERA CATCHES A FEW RATS

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1—*Whitlow and Hudson.* 2—*L. Koger and L. Jefferson.* 3—*McGhee and Hatcher.* 4—*Peggy Philpott and niece at home.* 5—*Play ball! Haley, Frye and Sharpe.* 6—*Scout Day—Sharpe, Prillaman, Arrington and McAlexander.* 7—*Doris Young and sister out for an airing.* 8—*Setzer, freshman president.* 9—*L. Koger.* 10—*Bassett in winter.* 11—*Moran on bike.* 12 and 13—*Acrobats—Whitlock, Sigman, Webb and Prillaman.* 14—*Chums—Hall and Austin.* 15 and 16—*Ready for May Day—A. Jefferson, Meade and Hall*

Stone, Hall, Setzer, Turner, Young, Lipscomb, Craig

FRESHMAN CLASS

OFFICERS

DOROTHY SETZER ..... *President*
BOBBY RAY YOUNG ..... *Vice President*
LUCILLE HALL ..... *Secretary*
VIOLET TURNER ..... *Treasurer*
MISS EUNICE LIPSCOMB, MISS FREDERIKA STONE, MISS MARGARET CRAIG ..... *Sponsors*

COLORS: *Green and White* FLOWER: *Lilac*

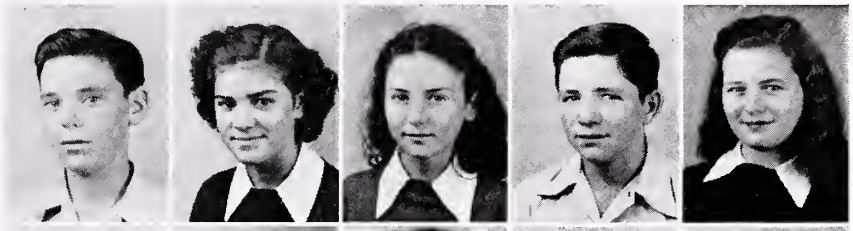
TREE: *Oak*

MOTTO: "*A winner never quits, and a quitter never wins*"

The freshman class, composed of 125 members, began its high school career September 3, 1947. Many of the class went out for sports and club activities. Those who received letters in basketball were Bobby Ray Young, Walter Hudson, Anton Gibbs, Everette Whitlow, Lucille Hall, Mary B. Williams and Cleo Agee. Those active in the Dramatic Club were Doris Jean Young, Peggy Philpott, and Violet Turner. The home-room representatives on the Student Council were Cleo Agee, Dorothy Setzer and Elmer Hall. Denis Case represented the school in reading at the Virginia High School League Contests in March.

FRESHMEN

David Adams
Louise Adams
Cleo Agee
Frank Amos
Geneva Ashworth



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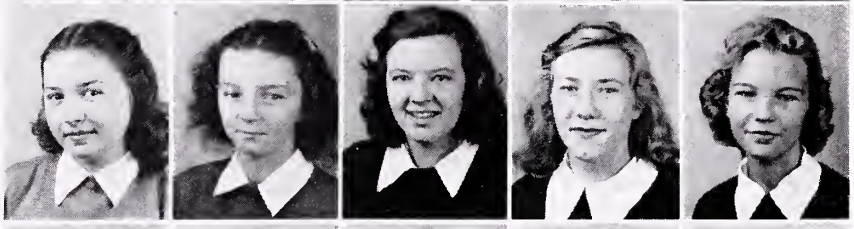
Kathleen Belcher
Lorena Bennett
Delois Boyd
Hilda Bradner



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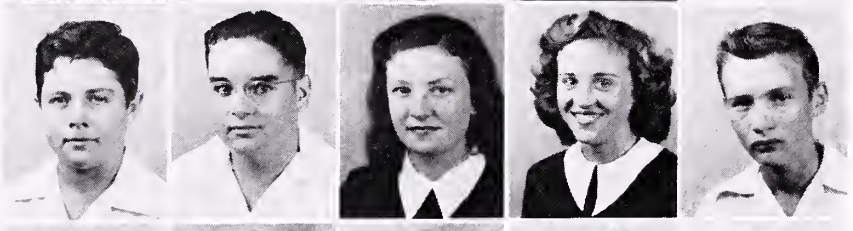
Claudine Bryant
Billy Byrd
Inza Cannaday
Curtis Carter

Gary Lee Carter
Dennis Case
Dorothy Cassady
Jean Curry
Henry Dalton



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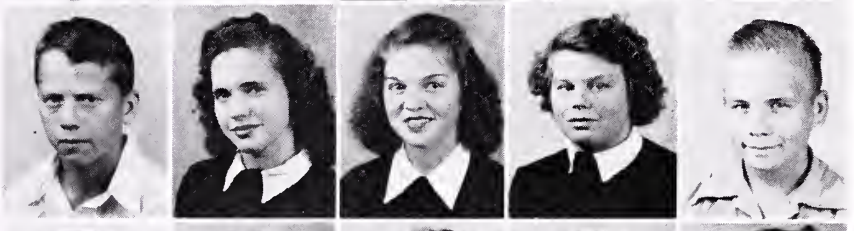
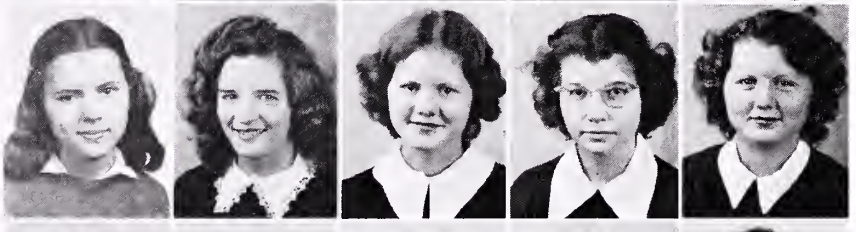
Bertha Deal
Dorothy Dodson
Emma Drewery
Donald Dyer



Frances Edmond
Eva Dell Foley
Iris Franklin
Nadine Franklin
Virginia Belle Franklin



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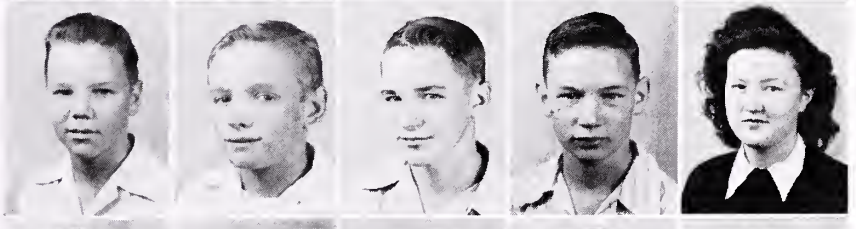
R. J. Frye
Taylor Fulcher
Anton Gibbs
Burnette Greer



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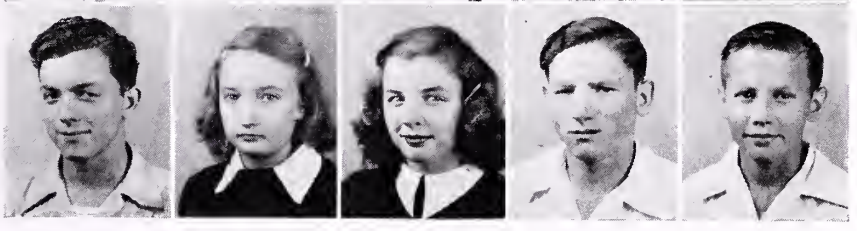
Jewell Hall
Lucille Hali
Raymond Hall
Ellsworth Haley



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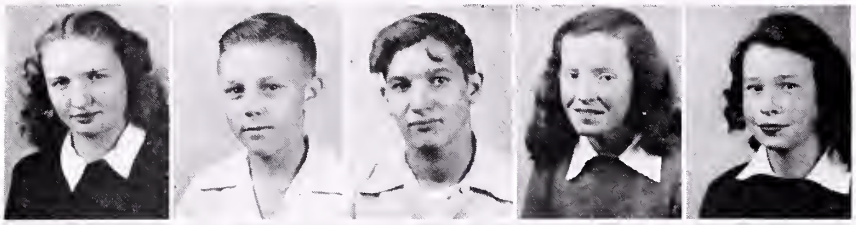
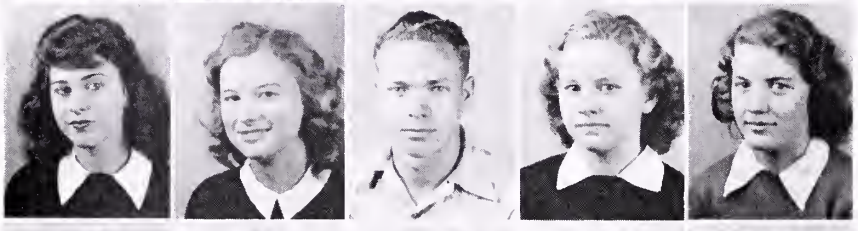


Sadie Harrel
Wallace Hatcher
Norman Haynes
Nancy Holt
Naomi Holt

Walter Hudson
Roger Hylton
Alma Ingram
Virginia Ingram
Lewis Jarrett

Alice Jefferson
Lena Jefferson
Ruth Johnson
Bernard Joyce
Lillian Koger

Bill Law
Esther Lawson
James Lemons
Keith Leonard
Bernard Martin



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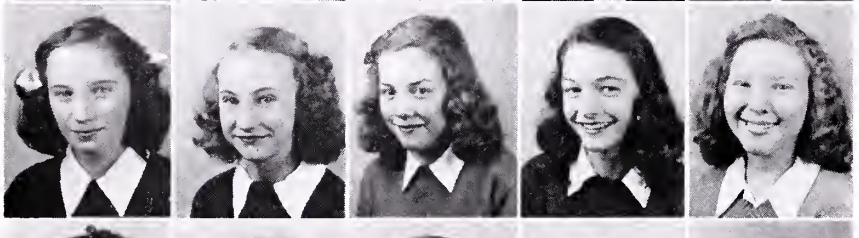
Eldean Moore
Barbara Moran
Betty Mullins

Virginia Dare Mullins
Ronald Myers
Stuart McGhee
Alvin Oakes
Marie Oliver



Joy Osborne
Ella Pendleton
Ann Philpott
Peggy Philpott
Mary Ruth Prater

Barbara Prillaman
Joan Prillaman
Joy Lee Prillaman
Dean Quesenberry
Helen Ramsey

FRESHMEN

Lena Ross
Dorothy Setzer
Jimmy Shelton
W. G. Sharpe
Norma Lee Shelton

Donald Shively
Myrtle Sigmon
Philip Sigmon
Lucy Ruth Sink
Paul Southall

Clyde Southard
Marvin Spencer
Pauline Spencer
James Statzer
Adron Stone

Ann Stone
Bernard Stone
Eva Stone
Mary Swain
Arnold Turner

Curtis Turner
Dorothy Turner
J. C. Turner
Jean Turner
Martha Sue Turner

Ray Turner
Violet Turner
Ray Wall
Versil Washburn
Everett Whitlow

Mary Boone Williams
Bobby Wright
Bobby N. Young
Bobby R. Young
Doris Jean Young

Ruth Young
James Ziglar

NOT PICTURED
Ernest Bower
George Ferguson
Mareen Hall
Philip Prillaman
Bobby Stone
Kenneth Whitlow
Kecil Scales

RECREATION THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

AUTUMN: 1 and 3—*Cheering at games, Craig in the lead.* 2—*Football*
WINTER: 1 and 2—*Webb, Martin and Amos snowballing.* 3—*McCray shoveling snow*
SPRING: *Baseball game on the diamond near the new high school*
SUMMER: *Fairy Stone Park, eight miles from Bassett. In foreground: S. and* 4. *Gussier, Gunter and Taylor enjoying the beach*

SPORTS

VARSITY FOOTBALL

INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

TOP ROW: *Bowman, Manager; Joe Philpott, Co-Captain; Draper; Pegram; Martin; Amos; Lawson; Ed Jones, Co-Captain; Brammer, Manager*
BOTTOM ROW: *E. B. Lemons, Coach; Whitlock; Marsh; Jessee; Hylton; L. Stone; G. Stone; Jim Thomasson; Wood*

GROUP PICTURE—STARTING LINE-UP

Draper, End; Dodson, Tackle; Joyce, Guard; Marsh, Center; Hylton, Guard; G. Stone, Tackle: John Philpott, End; Howard, Halfback; Jones, Fullback; Joe Philpott, Halfback; Pegram, Quarterback

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

	WE	THEY		WE	THEY
South Boston	0	0	Leaksville	0	12
Madison	0	26	Fries	25	7
Blacksburg	0	6	Natural Bridge	7	6
Jefferson	15	19	Hillsville	21	7
Fries	14	7	Byrd	7	6

JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

	WE	THEY		WE	THEY
Martinsville	0	12	Martinsville	7	25
Stoneville	8	26	Stoneville	6	7

FOOTBALL

Bassett High School started their second season of football this year after inaugurating football in 1946 for the first time in 15 years with two wins against five defeats. The '47 season opened with many of the veterans back to try their hand at football for the second time under the leadership of Coach E. B. Lemons and C. S. "Buck" Williams and Co-Captains Ed Jones and Joe Philpott.

The second season proved to be more successful than the first. The schedule included several Class B and Class C schools instead of Junior-Varsity competition as in 1946. This change brought the "Bengals" against much stronger competition throughout the season. Playing against stronger competition, the "Bengals" were able to compile a record of five wins, four defeats and one tie. Although many of the Varsity players are lost for next season, the outlook is not too dark for the '48 season as Bassett has many players coming up from the Junior Varsity team which was organized this year for the first time.

The athletic program was greatly aided this year by an Athletic Association which raised a considerable sum of money for the benefit of the football team and other athletics at the high school, some of which was used to purchase an athletic bus as well as new game uniforms and group insurance covering the athletes throughout the season. With this backing Bassett is looking forward to a much better record in the coming season which will include six district games on the schedule for the first time.

FOOTBALL GROUP PICTURE

BACK ROW: *E. B. Lemons, Hoover, Backs; Mike Jones, Back; Young, Back; James Lemons, End; N. Haynes, Guard; Handy, Tackle; John Thomasson, End; Hudson, End; E. Hall, Guard; Sigmon, Tackle; H. Haynes, Guard; E. Stone, Guard; Sharpe, Back; Stan Jones, Back; Buck Williams*

SECOND ROW: *Jim Thomasson, Center; G. Stone, Tackle; L. Stone, End; John Philpott, End; Hylton, Guard; Jessee, Back; Marsh, Center; Whitlock, Guard; M. Hall, Back; Dolson, Tackle; Lawson, End; Amos, Tackle; Martin, Center; Bowman*

FRONT ROW: *Howard, Back; Draper, End; Arendall, Guard; Joe Philpott, Back; Ed Jones, Back; Joyce, Guard; Pegram, Back; Wade, Back*

NOT PICTURED: *Whitlow*

FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS

Peggy Philpott, Webb, Jones, McGhee, Messer, Martin, Craig
NOT PICTURED: *Pat Philpott, Brammer, Gene Webb, F. Stone, Sponsor*

At the beginning of football and basketball season, Miss Freddie Stone and Mr. Lemons met with a group of boys and girls to select the cheerleaders for the season.

The cheerleaders played a great part in backing the players with yells from the school.

The cheerleaders selected Mary Campbell Craig as their leader and under her supervision they had a very successful season.

This is the third year of having cheerleaders and a great deal of improvement was shown. Bassett is looking forward to another year of fine cheerleading.

BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS

Adams, Webb, Craig, Stone, Messer, McGhee, Weinstein
NOT PICTURED: *F. Stone, Sponsor*

MONOGRAM CLUB

OFFICERS

GORDON STONE ..... *President*
HUGH DRAPER ..... *Vice President*
MILDRED BYRD ..... *Secretary*
DAVID DANIELS ..... *Treasurer*
EUNICE BOOTH ..... *Reporter*
FREDDIE STONE, E. B. LEMONS ..... *Sponsors*

BACK ROW: *G. Stone, Hylton, Lawson, Marsh, J. L. Thomasson, Eggleston, Jim Thomasson, Brammer*
SECOND ROW: *Whitlow, Daniels, Joe Philpott, Draper, Dodson, Hall, Setzer, Edd Jones*
THIRD ROW: *Pegram, Bowman, Joyce, Howard, Wall, Arendall, John Philpott, Wood*
FOURTH ROW: *Freddie Stone, Bennett, Foster, Jeanne Scott, Juanita Scott, Merriman, Bette Jones, Booth, Byrd, E. B. Lemons*
FRONT ROW: *Norton, Howell, Giles*
NOT PICTURED: *T. Martin, Whitlock, Amos, D. Martin, Peggy Philpott, Lucy Lee Brammer, Adams, Ellis Stone, Craig, B. Webb, G. Webb, Weinstein, Messer, McGhee*

The Monogram Club, which had its beginning in 1947 under the sponsorship of E. B. Lemons and E. C. Hoover, and officers—President, Joe Philpott; Vice President, R. J. Fisher—began its second year of existence last fall under the direction of E. B. Lemons and Freddie Stone as sponsors, and officers—President, Gordon Stone; Vice President, Hugh Draper.

A new constitution was drawn up, setting a standard type of monogram, and stating that students at Bassett High School would not be allowed to wear monograms from other schools. It also agreed to give a letter to Junior Varsity Team members, but monogram membership would not be extended to them.

Cheerleaders were also extended the privilege of winning a monogram and of becoming Monogram Club members.

Several social functions and the fall and spring initiations of new members were enjoyed by the Club.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Bowman, Manager; Joe Philpott, Guard; Hylton, Guard; Marsh, Forward; Thomasson, Center; Wall, Manager; Lawson, Forward; John Philpott, Guard; Wade, Forward; Pegram, Forward; G. Stone, Center, Co-Captain; E. B. Lemons, Coach; Draper, Co-Captain

BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

	WE	THEY
Spencer	38	21
Stuart	28	23
Ridgeway	52	14
Henry	37	20
Stuart	19	18
Fieldale	15	27
Rocky Mount	28	54
Blacksburg	35	27
Stoneville	32	50
Martinsville	17	35
Martinsville	37	40
Fieldale	24	39
Rocky Mount	28	42
Blacksburg	32	39
Fieldale	29	35
Fieldale	32	47
Stoneville	26	51

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

BACK ROW: *E. B. Lemons; A. Gibbs, Forward; Byrd, Center; Martin, Forward; Prillaman, Guard; Hudson, Guard; Setzer, Guard; Nash, Forward; Hylton, Guard*
FRONT ROW: *Carter, Guard; Young, Forward; Hall, Center; Haley, Guard*
NOT PICTURED: *Whitlow, Forward*

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

	WE	THEY
Spencer	15	21
Stuart	16	4
Spencer	23	16
Henry	28	15
Stuart	19	11
Fieldale	26	27
Rocky Mount	16	9
Stoneville	22	25
Martinsville	7	18
Martinsville	17	30
Fieldale	16	17
Rocky Mount	25	21
Fieldale	34	32
Fieldale	31	25

	WE	THEY
Stoneville	27	24

TOURNAMENT

	WE	THEY
Ruffin	28	11
Stoneville	27	5
Madison	25	19

The Boys' Basketball season opened this year on December 9th with a victory over Spencer which was followed by a string of five wins before the Bassett "Bengals" met defeat. Although the boys were unable to break into the win column after this, they played a bang-up game of ball, but were plagued with a string of defeats due to bad breaks and inaccuracy at the baskets.

Although the entire Varsity Team graduates this year, there is a wealth of material coming up from the Junior Varsity, which in its second year of existence compiled a string of 12 wins against 6 defeats, including the Championship of the Stoneville Invitational Junior Varsity Tournament held at Stoneville on March 4th, 5th and 6th, this being the first championship of any kind that Bassett has won in 13 years.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

First Row: *Collier, Norton, Managers*
Second Row: *Bette Jones, Co-Captain; Fredricka Stone, Coach; Howell, Co-Captain*
Third Row: *Byrd, Jeanne Scott, Merriman*

GIRLS' BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

	WE	THEY
Spencer	29	17
Stuart	14	18
Ridgeway	16	19
Henry	27	17
Stuart	21	11
Fieldale	11	19
Blacksburg	32	27
Stoneville	24	37
Martinsville	17	5
Martinsville	30	19
Fieldale	15	22
Blacksburg	19	28
Fieldale (Junior Varsity)	7	24
Stoneville	24	27

	WE	THEY
Fieldale (Junior Varsity)	9	34

BACK ROW: *F. Stone; Foley, Guard; Hall, Guard; Peggy Philpott, Forward; Martin, Forward; Pat Philpott, Guard; Spencer, Guard; Williams, Guard; Young, Guard; Marsh, Forward*

SECOND ROW: *Juanita Scott, Forward; Jeanne Scott, Forward; Bennett, Guard; Boothe, Guard; Byrd, Guard; Foster, Forward; Giles, Forward*

FRONT ROW: *Shelton, Forward; Collier; Jones, Guard; Howell, Forward; Norton; Agee, Forward*

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The Girls' Basketball Team began the '47 season under the direction of Miss Fredricka Stone after having been without a regular coach for a few years. The season opened with their first win over Spencer, followed up with a heavy schedule. The girls were able to compile a string of six wins against seven defeats, which was by far their best season in a number of years.

The team was strengthened greatly by the outstanding play of the guards who played a great part in controlling the scoring department, both defensively and offensively.

With the loss of only five players this year, the outlook for next season is very bright.

FRONT ROW: *Marsh, Lawson, C. Stone, John Thomasson, Draper, Joe Philpott, Pegram, Howard, L. Stone*
SECOND ROW: *B. Prillaman, Manager; Wall, John Philpott, Arendall, Hudson, B. Stone, Hall, Jim Thomasson, Whitlow, Wade, McDonald, Manager*
THIRD ROW: *Stafford, Manager; Junior Lawson, Carter, Wampler, Gene Webb, Hylton, Law, Bobby Webb, Martin, Frith, E. Stone, E. B. Lemons, Coach*
FOURTH ROW: *Fulcher, Wythe Prillaman, Whitlock, Daniels, A. Gibbs, Byrd, T. Gibbs, Peters*

BASEBALL

SCHEDULE

APRIL 2—Critz	APRIL 28—Critz
APRIL 6—Ridgeway	APRIL 30—Stoneville
APRIL 9—Axton	MAY 4—Fieldale
APRIL 13—Martinsville	MAY 7—Martinsville
APRIL 16—Rocky Mount	MAY 11—Stoneville
APRIL 20—Ridgeway	MAY 14—Spencer
APRIL 23—Spencer	MAY 18—Axton
APRIL 27—Rocky Mount	MAY 21—Fieldale

The 1948 baseball season opened this year with approximately 45 candidates answering the call to practice. With a large member of veterans returning, the "Bengals" should have a strong diamond aggregation. Although Bassett misses the services of Starling Whitlow at first base and Fred Shropshire on the mound, there are a number of candidates for these two positions from which Bassett hopes to be able to develop suitable replacements.

The pitching department is handled this year by F. E. Marsh, Bill Howard, Leland Stone and Burin Stone. Several new prospects see quite a bit of duty and promise to be helpful to the team next year.

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

Miss Ethel Stone

RECOGNITION

Miss Ethel Stone, who has been with the high school longer than any other teacher, is a leader in activities. She has been sponsor of the Beta Club for several years, is also chairman of the Guidance Program, and is dean of the girls in high school. Miss Stone is highly honored for the long and continuous service in school activities and her genuine interest in the welfare of her pupils.

BETA CLUB

OFFICERS

Jimmy Thomasson ..... *President*
Joe Meadors ..... *Vice President*
Garnett Hancock ..... *Secretary*
Rosa Belle Adkins ..... *Treasurer*
Miss Ethel Stone ..... *Sponsor*
Mr. E. C. Hoover ..... *Co-Sponsor*

Motto: "*Let us lead by serving others*" Colors: *Ebony and Gold*

The 1948 Bassett Chapter of the National Beta Club consists of fourteen seniors and sixteen junior members who have a superior scholastic record. Good character and a commendable attitude as well as a superior scholastic average are the basis on which students are elected to membership in the Club. The Beta Club stresses the promotion of honesty and the encouragement of service and leadership among high school students. The membership has been active in conducting clean-up campaigns, preparing baskets for indigent families, contributing news items and pictures for bulletin board, serving as office assistants and receptionists, and sponsoring a good manners campaign which was climaxed by an assembly presentation on courtesy. The production of a three-act comedy made possible a generous donation to the National Beta Education Fund. Two members of the local chapter served as marshals at the State Convention; the headquarters of which were at Hotel John Marshall in Richmond, April 23d-25th. The Betas participated in the State Convention program by a song and dance entitled "In Colonial Times."

STUDENT COUNCIL

OFFICERS

Jimmy Thomasson ..... *President*
Anna Bell Gusler ..... *Vice President*
Joe Meadors ..... *Secretary-Treasurer*
Mr. E. C. Hoover
Miss Lipscomb } ..... *Sponsors*

As student participation in school government concerns both the individual and the group, a welcome has been extended to the students to organize a Student Council, composed of pupils elected by their classmates, to act as a clearing house when conflicts arise in which the pupils have direct interests. This Council consists of representatives from the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes.

BETA CLUB

STANDING: *P. Webb, Seay, Martin, Craig, Young, D. Stone, Smith, Adkins, F. Fulcher, Turner, McCray, F. Fry, Dodson, Brammer, Thacker, Roberson*
SITTING: *Johnson, Agee, V. Stone, McCraw, Hoover, S. Webb, E. Stone, Meadors, J. Thomasson, Mason, Hancock, M. Franklin, Wray, E. Thomasson*
NOT PICTURED: *Merriman and Hall*

STUDENT COUNCIL

STANDING: *Cleo Agee, Fulcher, Setzer, Simpson, Lawson, Hall, Wray, Turner*
SEATED: *Lipscomb, Meadors, Thomasson, Gusler, Hoover*

BELL STAFF

Top Row: *McCraw, Buckner, McCray, Wray, D. Gibbs, Draper, Adams, Weinstein, Curry, Taylor, Stone, Merriman*

Middle Row: *Phibbs, P. Webb, Gunther, Hollandsworth, Koger, Clements, Jarrett, Hall, Fulcher, Davis, Craig, McDonald, Bowman*

Bottom Row: *Stone, Thomasson, Hancock, S. Webb, Smith, B. Brammer, Adams*

OFFICERS

Sue Webb ..... *Editor*

Billy Brammer ..... *Associate Editor*

Garnett Hancock ..... *Business Manager*

Virginia Stone ..... *Circulation Manager*

Roy Adams ..... *Feature Editor*

Mary C. Craig, Nancy Page McCray, Rebecca Adams, Barbara McCraw ..... *Reporters*

Elsie Thomasson, Wayne Bowman ..... *News Editors*

Rhona Weinstein, Dorothy Stone, Dorothy Gibbs, Billy McDonald, Lucille Hall, Betty Jean Taylor ..... *Reporters*

Evelyn Wray, Olga Buckner ..... *Society Editors*

Phyllis Webb, Hugh Draper ..... *Sports Editors*

Georgia Jarrett, Helen Clements, Benny Gunther ..... *Seventh Grade Reporters*

Shirley Ann Fulcher, Nellie Koger, Edgar Hollandsworth, Jr. ..... *Sixth Grade Reporters*

Ruby Smith, Elizabeth Merriman ..... *Typists*

Mrs. Garnett Phibbs ..... *Advisor*

DRAMATIC CLUB IN PRACTICE

STANDING: *M. Byrd, Duggins, Moore, Whitloch, Vernon, Jones, S. Webb, E. Thomasson, D. Young, Gibbs, Gusler, Norton, D. Cibbs, Collier, Franklin, Margaret Craig, Sponsor*
SITTING: *Howell, L. L. Brammer, Messer, Helms, Scott, Shelton, Buckner, Nolen, Marsh, Weinstein, R. Spencer*
BOTTOM ROW: *Adams, P. Philpott, P. Young, Webb, J. T. Pegram, President, Jessie Hill, Secretary-Treasurer, Ellis Stone*

ACTING: *Jessee and N. Spencer*

ATHENIAN LITERARY SOCIETY

BACK ROW: *John Philpott, Marsh, Stone, Adams*
STANDING: *Peters, Snead, Bowman, Curry, Smith, Johnson, Taylor, Mason, Wright, R. J. Frye*
SITTING: *Terry Eggleston, Secretary-Treasurer; Mildred Byrd, Vice President; Joe Philpott, President; Christine Wright; Hugh Draper, Chaplain; Mrs. C. L. Woody, Jr., Sponsor*

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

(IN FRONT OF HOME ECONOMICS COTTAGE)

BACK ROW: *Robertson, Hundley, Mullins, Foley, M. J. Moore, Simpson, M. A. Thomasson, P. Wright, R. Snead*

SECOND ROW: *Curry, Mason, Collier, Duggins, Land, Holcomb, Martin, Haynes, Watkins, Howell, Thomasson*

THIRD ROW: *R. Bennett, A. Stone, Helms, Joyce, Sink, L. Roberson, P. Cassidy, T. Seay, Meade, Wood, Wray*

FOURTH ROW: *Thelmagene Kessinger, Sponsor; R. Smith, Reporter; D. Stone, N. Dodson, O. Roberson, P. Moore, B. Smith, V. Stone, Hancock, F. Shelton, J. Bennett, Walthall, Messer, Foster, Merriman*

SITTING: *P. Smith, Vice President; Moran, Sergeant at Arms; Mildred Byrd, President; Margaret Byrd, Secretary; Gusler; Norton, Treasurer; Fulcher, Turner, Agee, T. Cassidy, Shelton, M. Stone, Woolwine*

SLOGAN: "*Toward New Horizons*"

The Future Homemakers of America are endeavoring to promote better home life and surroundings for each member of the Club.

Among the activities the Club has accomplished are the following: Entertained faculty at a tea; sponsored a contest for the most attractively decorated room in high school at Christmas; had Christmas and other parties; staged fashion parade and baby contest, during which various talents of the Club members completed the program.

MATH CLUB AT WORK

SITTING: *M. Stone, Franklin, Thomasson, McCraw, Adams, D. Martin, Meadors; Margaret Miller, Sponsor; Philpott, B. Martin, G. Stone, Hollandsworth, Hylton, Treasurer; Amos, Draper*
STANDING: *McCray, Vice President; Brammer, Secretary; Lawson; C. Stone, President*
NOT PICTURED: *Daniel, Howard, Johnson, Craig, Merriman*

FIRST-YEAR WOODWORKING CLASS IN THE SHOP

LEFT TO RIGHT: *J. Turner, Amos, Shelton, Moore, Sigmon, Adams, Walls, Frye, Martin, Ferguson, Young, C. Turner, Haynes; Lelon Traylor, Instructor; Swain*

JUNIOR RED CROSS

STANDING: *A. Stone, M. Miller, M. Spencer, B. Stone, Case, Byrd, Marshall, Swain, Arrington, Scarborough*
SITTING: *Mullins, Martin, Marsh, Jones, Turner*

OFFICERS

PEGGY MARSH ..... *President*
THOMAS MARTIN ..... *Vice President*
BETTY JANE JONES ..... *Secretary*
MARGIE MULLINS ..... *Treasurer*
JUNE TURNER ..... *Reporter*
MISS MARGARET MILLER ..... *Sponsor*

The local chapter of the American Junior Red Cross has been active throughout the year. The school has enrolled one hundred per cent. Some of the activities sponsored are as follows: Clothing, handmade dolls, food and other items, donated for Christmas boxes; clothing, food and financial aid, contributed for indigent families; hardwood, leather, magazines, etc., collected and sent to veterans hospital to furnish employment for hospitalized men; exchange of correspondence with children of other countries; participation in the various drives connected with the organization.

The Bassett Chapter hopes to grow and become a leading activity in the school.

GLEE CLUB

OFFICERS

PHYLLIS WEBB ..... *President*
RACHEL SNEAD ..... *Vice President*
BARBARA SHELTON ..... *Secretary*
PEGGY MARSH ..... *Treasurer*
RUTH HOWELL ..... *Reporter*
NANCY PAGE MCCRAY, NANCY SPENCER ..... *Librarians*
MISS RUTH WHITT ..... *Directress*
JOY NOLEN ..... *Pianist*

The Glee Club presented music for many programs during the year, including the Christmas Assembly, P. T. A. programs and various other activities. They entered the District Music Festival at Schoolfield, Virginia, on April 10th. The rating received was I I, excellent performance of high quality.

LATIN CLUB

Back Row: *S. Webb, McCraw, Snead, Helms, Seay, Jean Scott, Bratton, Thacker, Nolen, Simpson, Peggy Philpott, R. Spencer*

Middle Row: *McCray, Bowman, Taylor, I. Peters, D. Stone, L. Prillaman, A. Ingram, B. Webb, Wampler, N. Spencer Marsh, Smith*

Front Row: *Shelton, Whitt, Sponsor; Young, Adams, Secretary; Weinstein, Vice President; Jones, President; Pat Philpott, Secretary; Wray, Norvell, Sponsor*

D. Stone, Wampler and Weinstein won District II Latin Tournament of Virgina Classical Association, April 10, 1948

GLEE CLUB

Top Row: *Martin, Prater, Bratton, Belcher, Byrd, Simpson, Hall, Peters, Collier, Wray, Hundley, Buckner, Edmonds, Ramsey*

Second Row: *R. Witt, S. Webb, Marsh, Snead, Young, B. Shelton, Helms, Turner, B. Martin, Curry, Smith, J. Nolen, Bradner, Brammer*

Third Row: *A. Shelton, Howell, M. Nolen, McCraw, Hollandsworth, Thacker, P. Mason, McCray, Spencer, Gibbs, P. Webb, Norton, Sink*

HI-Y

Top Row: *Wall, B. Brammer, Daniel, Dodson, Wood, Adams; Rev. Garnett Phibbs, Sponsor*
Middle Row: *Arendall, Lawson, Pegram, Howard, John Philpott, Eggleston*
Bottom Row: *Gordon Stone, Secretary; F. E. Marsh, Jr.; Hylton, President; Joe Philpott, Vice President; H. Draper, Treasurer; W. Bowman*

TRI-HI-Y

Top Row: *F. Stone, Faculty Advisor; D. Stone, S. Webb, J. Peters, J. Nolen, D. Gibbs, Hundley, P. Smith; Mrs. G. F. Craig, Community Advisor*
Second Row: *R. Bennett, M. Byrd, Duggins, Haynes, Clark, Helms, Franklin, Collier*
Third Row: *P. Young, P. Marsh, F. Gibbs, Hollandsworth, B. Shelton, Juanita Scott, McCray, Jeanne Scott, Buckner*
Bottom Row: *A. Shelton, M. C. Craig, Vice President; B. McCray, Secretary; C. Wright, President; E. Wray, Treasurer; P. Webb, L. L. Brammer*

SAFETY PATROL

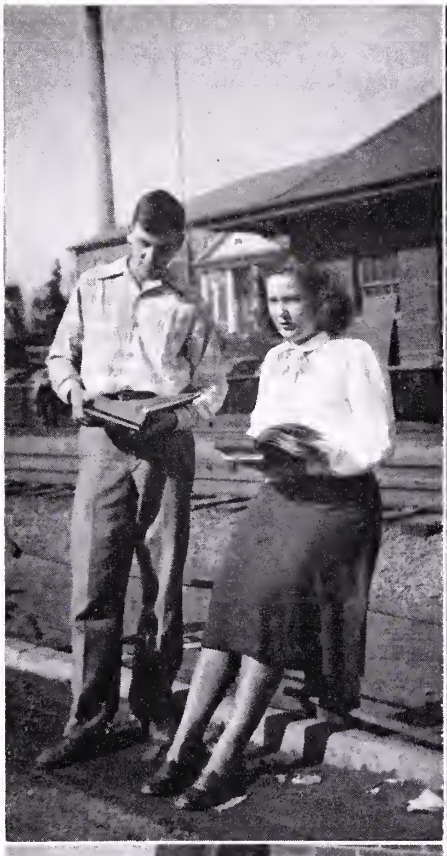
STANDING: *D. Gibbs, Foster, T. Cassady, Merriman, Ashworth, Bratton, Hudson, P. Smith, R. Turner, Woolwine, Statzer, Edmonds, E. Draper, R. Hall, Frith, Junior Jones, T. Fulcher; E. C. Hoover, Sponsor*
SITTING: *McGhee, Walthall, Howell; Jeanne Scott, Treasurer; R. Snead, President; A. Dodson, Vice President; E. Thomasson, F. Fulcher*

FIRE FIGHTERS

MOTTO: "*Keep Virginia Green*"

STANDING: *Sigmon, Mullins, B. J. Martin, H. Draper, Joe Philpott, Meadors, John Philpott, E. Draper, F. E. Marsh, N. Dodson, Amos, E. C. Hoover, Sponsor; B. Webb, Pegram, Ellis Stone*
SITTING: *T. Martin, Hylton, Hudson; Roy Adams and Norman Joyce, Crew Leaders; Johnson, Junior Peters, Junior Jones, G. Stone*

FEATURES



SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

1—Most Studious—*B. Brammer and D. Stone.* 2—Most Original—*Snead and Bowman.* 3—Neatest—*Seay and Draper.* 4—Most Handsome and Prettiest—*L. Stone and Buckner.* 5—Most Popular—*E. Jones and P. Philpott.* 6—Most Ladylike and Gentlemanly—*S. Webb and B. Brammer*

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SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

1—Most Athletic—*Byrd and Pegram.* 2—Most Bashful—*Hall and Lawson.* 3—Best All Round—*P. Philpott and G. Stone.* 4—Wittiest—*Duggins and C. Stone.* 5—Flirts—*C. Stone, L. L. Brammer and J. Hilton.* 6—Most Dignified—*B. Brammer and Franklin*

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BEAUTY PAGEANT OF SPRING, 1947

The Beauty Pageant at Bassett High is an annual highlight in the school program. On a stage depicting a garden in May, Phyllis Young (center) was crowned "Miss Bassett, 1947," by little Harriet Bassett (center right). The attendants and runners-up are (left to right): Rachel Spencer, Betty Lee Howell, Peggy Smith, Christine Dodson, Estelle Hollandsworth, Dorothy Johnson and Dorothlene Bennett.

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RAINBOW BANQUET AT RIVERSIDE HOTEL

On April 2d, in a garden after the rain had ceased and the rainbow had appeared with its soft colors, the members of the junior class were hosts to the senior class and high school faculty at the annual formal banquet held at the Riverside Hotel. Flowers in abundance, and the rainbow appearing out of the mist with its pot of gold, bedecked the dining hall, giving an air of merriment and springtime fancy to the occasion. Eugene Martin was toastmaster. The following entertaining program was presented during the banquet:

PROGRAM

Welcome.....Eugene Martin
Response.....Joe Philpott
Toastmaster.....Eugene Martin
The Search.....Bill Howard
The Rainbow.....Edd Jones
The Sun.....Mr. George W. Burton
Pot of Gold.....Olga Buckner
Raindrops.....Nancy Page McCray
Class Prophecy.....Rachel Snead, Wayne Bowman
Last Will and Testament.....Hugh Draper, Pat Philpott

SENIOR DIRECTORY

ROY ADAMS
Bassett, Virginia

Safety Patrol; Athenian Literary Society; Dramatic Club; Fire Fighters, Crew Leader; *Bell* Staff; Math Club; Hi-Y.

OTIS AMOS
R. F. D. 1, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Fire Fighters; Math Club.

RUTH BENNETT
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; F. H. A.; Basketball; Monogram Club; Dramatic Club.

WAYNE BOWMAN
Bassett, Virginia

Football, Manager; Basketball, Manager; Monogram Club; Hi-Y, Historian; *Bell*, News Editor.

BILLY BRAMMER
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Athenian Literary Society, Vice President; Student Council; Beta Club; Football, Manager; Monogram Club; *Bell*, Associate Editor; Math Club, Secretary; Hi-Y; Fire Fighters.

LUCY LEE BRAMMER
Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Cheerleader; Dramatic Club; Glee Club; Tri-Hi-Y; F. H. A.; Monogram Club; Library Club.

OLGA BUCKNER
Stanleytown, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Glee Club; Dramatic Club; *Bell*, Fashion Editor.

MILDRED BYRD
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society, Vice President; Monogram Club, Secretary; Basketball, Captain; Junior Red Cross; Glee Club; Tri-Hi-Y.

JESSE CAHILL
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Transferred from Rocky Mount, September, 1947.

MARY CAMPBELL CRAIG
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Salutatorian; Athenian Literary Society; Dramatic Club; Cheerleader, Captain; Glee Club, Accompanist; Beta Club; Math Club; *Bell* Staff: Tri-Hi-Y, Vice President; Monogram Club.

MARIE COLLIER
Stanleytown, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; F. H. A.; Dramatic Club; Tri-Hi-Y; Senior Class Secretary; Glee Club; Monogram Club; Basketball, Manager.

HAZEL CURRY
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Junior Red Cross; F. H. A.

DAVID DANIEL
Bassett, Virginia

Monogram Club, Treasurer; Math Club; Fire Fighters; Hi-Y; Baseball.

AUBREY DODSON
R. F. D. 1, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Safety Patrol, President; Dramatic Club.

HUGH DRAPER
Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Dramatic Club; Student Council; Fire Fighters; Football; Basketball, Captain; Baseball; Monogram Club, Vice President; Hi-Y, Treasurer.

VIRGINIA L. DUGGINS
R. F. D. 2, Martinsville, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; F. H. A.; Dramatic Club; Tri-Hi-Y.

TERRY EGGLESTON
Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Monogram Club; Football; Basketball; Baseball; Hi-Y.

ELIZABETH FRANKLIN
Bassett, Virginia

Glee Club; Dramatic Club; Tri-Hi-Y.

DOROTHY GIBBS
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Glee Club; Dramatic Club; Tri-Hi-Y; *Bell* Staff; Safety Patrol.

ENA HALL
R. F. D. 1, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Glee Club; F. H. A.; Beta Club.

GARNETT HANCOCK
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Student Council, Vice President; F. H. A.; Beta Club, Secretary; *Bell*, Business Manager.

GERALDINE HUNDLEY
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

Glee Club; Tri-Hi-Y; Athenian Literary Society.

JUNIOR HYLTON
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Math Club, Treasurer; Fire Fighters; Football; Basketball; Monogram Club; Hi-Y, President.

GENE JESSEE
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

United States Army; Athenian Literary Society; Dramatic Club; Football; Monogram Club.

EDD JONES
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

United States Navy; Football; Basketball; Baseball; Monogram Club; Senior Class, President; Latin Club, President; Dramatic Club.

CLYDE LAWSON
Stanleytown, Virginia

Math Club; Student Council; Baseball; Basketball; Football; Monogram Club; Hi-Y.

F. E. MARSH
Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Basketball; Baseball; Football; Fire Fighters; Monogram Club; Dramatic Club; Hi-Y, Chaplain.

SENIOR DIRECTORY

DEWEY MARTIN
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Safety Patrol; Athenian Literary Society; Math Club; Monogram Club; Football; 4-H Club.

ELIZABETH MASON
Bassett, Virginia

Glee Club; Athenian Literary Society; F. H. A.; Dramatic Club.

ELIZABETH MERRIMAN
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Safety Patrol; Beta Club; F. H. A.; Basketball; *Bell*, Typist.

EMILY MESSER
Bassett, Virginia

Cheerleader; F. H. A.; Athenian Literary Society; Music Makers Club; Dramatic Club.

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Athenian Literary Society; Football; Basketball; Baseball; Dramatic Club, President; Monogram Club; Hi-Y.

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Athenian Literary Society; Dramatic Club; Glee Club; Latin Club; Tri-Hi-Y; F. H. A.

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Glee Club; Basketball.

JOE PHILPOTT
Philpott, Virginia

Basketball; Baseball; Football, Captain; Monogram Club, President; Athenian Literary Society, President; Dramatic Club; Hi-Y, Vice President.

PATRICIA PHILPOTT
Philpott, Virginia

Glee Club, Vice President; Cheerleader; Latin Club, Secretary; Junior Red Cross, Secretary; Basketball; Monogram Club; Tri-Hi-Y.

LORENE ROBERSON
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

Junior Red Cross; Library Club; F. H. A.; Beta Club.

JEANNE SCOTT
Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Library Club; Basketball; Monogram Club; Latin Club; Tri-Hi-Y; Safety Patrol.

THELMA SEAY
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F. H. A.; Beta Club; Latin Club; Athenian Literary Society.

RUBY SMITH
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

F. H. A., The Readers; *Bell*, Typist.

RACHEL SNEAD
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Glee Club; Library Club; Athenian Literary Society; F. H. A.; Dramatic Club; Latin Club; Safety Patrol.

CONLEY STONE
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Athenian Literary Society; Math Club, President; Baseball.

DOROTHY STONE
Bassett, Virginia

Valedictorian; Beta Club; Library Club; F. H. A., Vice President; Latin Club Tournament; Tri-Hi-Y; *Bell* Staff.

GORDON STONE
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

Basketball, Captain; Football; Math Club; Monogram Club, President; Athenian Literary Society; Fire Fighters; Hi-Y.

LELAND STONE
R. F. D. 1, Bassett, Virginia

Football; Baseball; Monogram Club; Fire Fighters; Glee Club; *Bell* Staff.

VIRGINIA STONE
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Junior Red Cross; F. H. A.; Beta Club; Library Club, Secretary; *Bell*, Circulation Manager; Senior Class, Vice President.

ELSIE THOMASSON
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Library Club; Athenian Literary Society; F. H. A.; Dramatic Club; Beta Club; *Bell*, News Editor; Safety Patrol, Captain.

JIMMY THOMASSON
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Beta Club, President; Student Council, President; Baseball; Football; Monogram Club; Athenian Literary Society.

CURTIS WALL
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

Student Council; Football; Hi-Y; Monogram Club; Baseball; Basketball, Manager.

PHYLLIS WEBB
Bassett, Virginia

Beta Club; Glee Club, President; Library Club; Athenian Literary Society; Junior Red Cross, Vice President; *Bell*, Sports Editor; Dramatic Club.

SUE WEBB
Bassett, Virginia

Library Club, President; F. H. A.; Beta Club; Glee Club; *Bell*, Editor; Latin Club; Dramatic Club; Tri-Hi-Y.

EDGAR WHITLOCK
R. F. D. 2, Bassett, Virginia

Dramatic Club; Glee Club; Athenian Literary Society; Fire Fighters; Football; Monogram Club.

EVELYN WRAY
R. F. D. 3, Bassett, Virginia

Glee Club; Beta Club; Tri-Hi-Y, Treasurer; F. H. A.; *Bell*, Fashion Editor; Student Council; Latin Club.

CHRISTINE WRIGHT
Bassett, Virginia

Student Council; Athenian Literary Society; Junior Red Cross, Secretary; Tri-Hi-Y, President.

TIME AFTER TIME

SEPTEMBER 3.....School began

SEPTEMBER 3.....Mr. Jack Noffsinger spoke at first assembly of the year

SEPTEMBER 15.....Senior officers elected

SEPTEMBER 19.....First football game of the season: South Boston—0, Bassett—0

SEPTEMBER 19.....Curtis Wall hurt in football game

SEPTEMBER 25.....A Chinese told about China in assembly

SEPTEMBER 29.....Seniors started selling ads for the annual

OCTOBER 15.....Seniors went through the Marshall-Field mills at Fieldale, Virginia

OCTOBER 27.....School pictures were taken

OCTOBER 28.....Senior rings came

NOVEMBER 11.....Senior Home Economics girls served Boy Scout Banquet at Campbell Court

NOVEMBER 21.....Home Economics party in the High School Auditorium

NOVEMBER 26.....School closed for Thanksgiving holidays

DECEMBER 9.....First basketball game of the season: Bassett—38, Spencer—21

DECEMBER 19.....Christmas Assembly—"The Christmas Story," by the Glee Club
Christmas holidays began

JANUARY 5.....Seniors measured for caps and gowns

JANUARY 20.....Examinations for first semester

FEBRUARY 2.....School closed—day of snow

FEBRUARY 13.....Another day off—Teachers' Meeting at Martinsville. Time to send Valentines

FEBRUARY 20.....Senior Day at Fieldale High School

FEBRUARY 26.....Assembly—Beta Club skit, "It Might Have Been"

MARCH 1.....Seniors ordered calling cards and invitations

MARCH 3.....Assembly—Negro Minstrel by Dramatic Club

MARCH 6.....Junior Varsity won championship at Stoneville Tournament

MARCH 12.....Gee! Another day off—Teachers' Meeting

MARCH 19.....Virginia High School League Contests at Fieldale and Martinsville

MARCH 29.....Holiday—Easter Monday

APRIL 2.....Junior-Senior Banquet

APRIL 10.....District Latin Tournament in Danville; District Music Festival at Schoolfield; Virginia High School League Contests at Radford

APRIL 13.....Fashion Show

APRIL 30.....Senior Play

MAY 14.....Beauty Pageant

MAY 21.....Beta Club Play

JUNE 2-4.....Examinations—Oh, Seniors!

JUNE 6.....Baccalaureate Sermon

JUNE 7.....Graduation

OUR BOOSTERS

BASSETT:

Roy Adkins
Virginia Barnes
J. E. Bassett
Price E. Bowman
Emma J. Brammer
James W. Bullock
George W. Burton
Willie Caudle
Thomas Cecil
James A. Craig
Kathryn B. Craig
Henry A. Craig
James Dalton
Barbara Draper
R. O. Duggins
Marshall Franklin
J. L. Franklin
Ruth Jayne Freeman
J. C. Foster
Vance King Grocery
T. F. Grogan, Jr.
Selmer Via Gusler
J. T. Hamlin
Henry D. Hopkins
Raleigh James
Gray Jarrett
A. M. Jones
Bill Jones
James D. Joyce
Webster S. Martin
Shockley Martin
Doris P. Maxey
J. P. McClellan
George E. Mitchell
W. M. Mitchell
Curtis Moran
Junior Peters
Roy Plaster
W. H. Prillaman
J. A. Rakestraw, Jr.

BASSETT:—Continued

Clarence W. Rorrer
Elizabeth Roush
T. A. Roberson
Hazel Scarborough
E. Claude Shockley
Edgar J. Stafford
Vernon Stone
Bessie Stone
Dan Spencer
George L. Spencer
Hilda Thomasson
Bess P. Tudor
Maggie Turner
Warner Vestal
Leonard G. Via
Sterling Whitlow
Dr. B. R. Willis
Christine Wright

DANVILLE:

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Motley and Lumpkin Furniture Co.
Moorefield's Cleaners
W. R. Purdum & Son Co.
Sears Roebuck & Co.

FIELDALE:

W. E. Ferguson
Sam Fretwell
James Rakes
John M. Ratliff
Ray J. Vaughan

ROCKY MOUNT:

Russel Davis

MARTINSVILLE:

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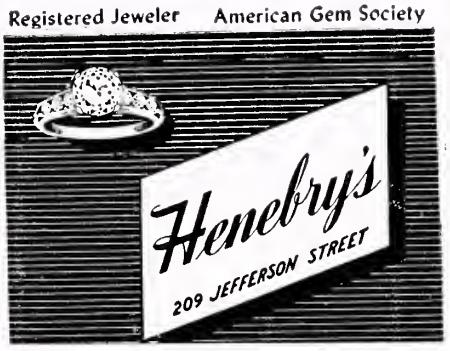

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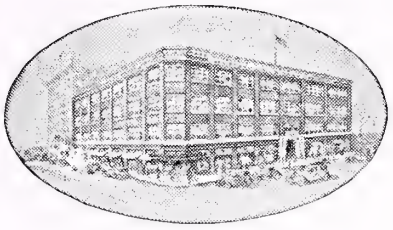

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LUCY LEE: "What brings you to town, Aubrey?"

Aubrey: "Oh, I just came to town to see the sights, and I thought I'd call on you first."

MISS WHITT: "Explain this examination paper. Why do you have all the answers in quotation marks?"

CONLEY: "Courtesy to Joe, seated to my left."

ELIZABETH MASON: "There were eight morons—do re, fa, so la te, do."

OTIS: "You left 'mi' out."

ELIZABETH: "Sorry, excuse me for forgetting you."

MR. LEMONS: "This is the fifth time this week I've asked you to stay after school. Now, what have you to say for yourself?"

TERRY: "I'm glad it's Friday, sir!"

MISS NORVELL: "If I've talked too long it's because I forgot my watch and there is no clock in this room."

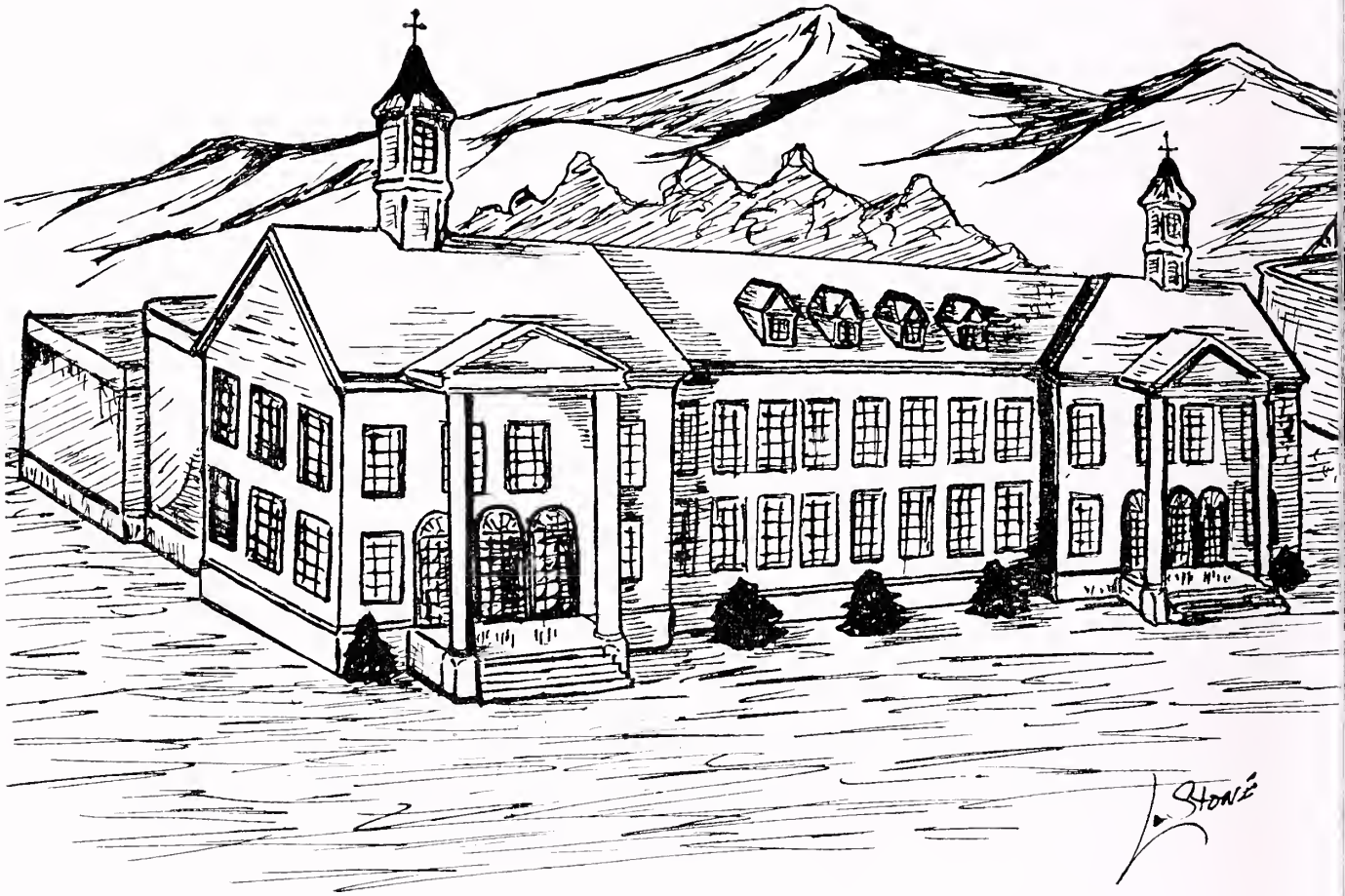
GENE JESSEE: "There's a calendar on the wall behind you."

POLICEMAN: "Young lady, why were you driving so fast?"

GERALDINE: "My brakes were bad and I was hurrying home before I had an accident."

THELMA: "A sharp nose usually indicates a lot of curiosity."

DAVID: And a flattened one may indicate too much."



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